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## **TOWN of STRAFFORD**

New Hampshire

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## **TOWN OFFICERS**

### **SELECTMEN**

Gloria Creamer, 1998-2001

JoAnn Brown, 1999-2002

Lester Huckins, 2000-2003

Ellen J. White - Administrative Assistant

### **TOWN CLERK**

Nancy Goedker - 1998-2001

### **TOWN TREASURER**

Bertha Huckins, 1998-2001

### **TAX COLLECTOR**

Judith Dupre (appointed)

### **MODERATOR**

William G. Lord, 2000-2002

### **SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST**

Carol Cooper, 2000-2006

Marilyn Roderick, 1996-2002

Sandra K. Schwab, 1998-2001

### **LIBRARIAN**

Kathryn Steward

### **LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Carol McCarty, 1999-2002

Carol Wood - 1998-2001

Pamela Marks, 2000-2003

### **ROAD AGENT**

Greg Messenger, 2000-2001

### **BUILDING INSPECTOR/HEALTH OFFICER**

Stephen Smith

### **CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR**

(Emergency Management)

Scott Whitehouse

### **TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS**

Roger Leighton, 2000-2003

William L. Marks, 1999-2002

Justine Leighton, 1998-2001

## **FIRE WARDEN**

Glenn Pierce

## **DEPUTIES**

Scott Whitehouse

John MacDougall

Tom Stano  
Loren Pierce

Eric Gale

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Scott Young - Chief of Police

Mary Macfadzen - Secretary

Benjamin Morse  
Troy Pickering

Donald J. Laliberte

Eric Gale

Timothy Sawyer

Thomas Bibeau

Mike Richard

## **PLANNING BOARD**

Edgar W. Huckins, Chairman, 2000-2003

David Dupee, 1998-2001

Charles Moreno, 1999-2002

Don Rhodes, 1999-2002

Lester Huckins, 2000-2003

## **ALTERNATES**

Roger Leighton

James F. Kerivan

## **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

William G. Lord, Chairman, 1998-2001

Herbert Scribner, 1999-2002

Nathan Lake, 2000-2003

Stephen Leighton, 1998-2001

Herman Groth, 1997-2000

## **ALTERNATES**

William L. Marks

Anthony D.K. Fallon

Roger Turmelle

## **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Jack Bronnenberg, 2000-2003

Bruce Smith, 1998-2001

Calvin Schroeder, 2000-2003

Elizabeth Evans, 1998-2001

Harmony Anderson, 1999-2002

Sarah M. Ward, 1999-2002

JoAnn Brown, 1999-2002

## **RECREATION COMMISSION**

Robert White

## **ROCHESTER / RURAL DISTRICT VISITING NURSE SERVICES & HOSPICE**

Telephone 755-2202 or 332-1133

### **FIRE AND RESCUE**

Loren Pierce - Chief of Department

Scott Whitehouse - Deputy Chief

Steve Austin - Secretary

Sandra Pierce - Treasurer

### **BOW LAKE STATION**

Robert Lobdell - Captain

### **CENTER STATION**

Glenn Pierce - Captain

### **CROWN POINT STATION**

Tom Stano - Captain

### **LIEUTENANTS**

Doug Hayes

Paul Stover

Dan Duffy

### **DEPARTMENT MEMBERS**

Terry Bickford  
Terry Bickford, Jr.  
Ken Chick  
Paul Yergeau  
Stephen Austin  
Ed Lyons  
Nolan Woodcock  
Donna Michaud  
Bill Riendeau

Eugene Burrows  
Corinne Allaire  
Brett Lavoie  
Rene Lavoie  
Dan Duffy  
Paul Stover  
Kellie Moniz  
Ryan Odom  
Annamaria Rolando

Wayne Pierce  
Nancy Penney  
Mike Richard  
Matt Lobdell  
Andrew Helm  
Erica Helm  
Jack Lagasse  
David Palmer



**TOWN WARRANT  
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Strafford Elementary School in said Strafford on Tuesday, the thirteenth (13th) day of March, next, at 8:00 a.m. to act upon the following subjects:

**\*\*1.** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

**\*\*2.** "Do you approve of having 2 sessions for the annual town meeting in this town, the first session for choice of town officers elected by an official ballot and the other actions required to be inserted on said official ballot, and the second session on a date set by the selectmen, for transaction of other business?"

**\*\*NOTE:** ALL ARTICLES EXCEPT NO. 1 AND 2 WILL BE TAKEN UP AT 8:00 P.M. TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2001 AT THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One hundred sixty-six thousand dollars (\$166,000.) for capital improvements to the following roads:

a. Widening, gravel, drainage work and paving of the Province Road (West) approximately .75 mile from the end of the existing pavement to the intersection of the Webber Road

b. Paving of the Cross Road approximately .75 mile from the intersection of the 2nd Crown Point Road to the intersection of the Ridge Farm Road.

c. Paving of Spencer Drive approximately .2 mile.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of establishing a storage facility for material used in the care and maintenance of Town roads.

Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty thousand one hundred dollars (\$60,100.) for the operation and maintenance of the Strafford Fire Department and Rescue Squad.



The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five thousand two hundred dollars (\$25,200.) for the purchase of six (6) Scott air packs with integrated pass devices, five (5) sets of gear (coats, pants, suspenders), six (6) helmets with face shields, six (6) pairs of boots, six (6) hoods, six (6) survivor flashlights with rapid charges, five (5) Motorola pages, one (1) mobile radio, and one (1) 5000 watt generator.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three thousand dollars (\$3,000.) to be added to the Expendable Trust Fund previously established for the purpose of covering the associated costs of forest fire suppression.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two thousand dollars (\$2,000.) to purchase forest fire fighting related equipment. This article if voted will be partially funded by a grant from the NH Div. of Forests and Lands. The anticipated funding is estimated to be One thousand dollars (\$1,000.) The balance to come from general taxation. This article is to be rescinded if grant is not awarded.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$16,500.) for the purchase of a Thermal Imaging Camera.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000.) for repairs to the Crown Point fire station (inc. new roof shingles, new furnace, new overhead door and closing in some of the front), and to authorize the withdrawal of Five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5,500.) plus interest from the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for this purpose. The balance to come from general taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two hundred two thousand nine hundred twenty-seven dollars (\$202,927.) for the operation and maintenance of the Police Department.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

12. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to RSA 35 for the future purchase of a police vehicle, and to raise and appropriate the

sum of Twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.) to be placed in this fund.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.) for continued technical assistance (ie. Engineering, Hydrogeologic investigations, groundwater monitoring) and other costs associated with Transfer Station/Landfill compliance with State requirements. This is intended as a continuation of the study pursuant Article 10 voted at the 2000 Town Meeting.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

14. To hear the report of the Municipal and Safety Complex Land Search Committee formed pursuant to Article 18 of the 2000 Town Meeting and to ask that the members continue to serve to develop design and cost of a facility. Furthermore, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.) for architectural and engineering services.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase additional land adjacent to the existing lot owned by the Town and located on Route 126 (approximately 6 acres now part of Map 11, Lot 33) and to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-nine thousand dollars (\$69,000.) for this purpose.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven hundred sixteen thousand six hundred ninety-one dollars (\$716,691.) for general Town operations.

Executive .....	\$43,225.
Election & Registration .....	15,100.
Financial Administration .....	36,775.
Revaluation of Property & Tax Maps .....	10,000.
Legal Expenses .....	10,000.
Employee Benefits, FICA, Medi & Unemp. Comp. ....	21,000.
Planning and Zoning .....	5,000.
General Government Building .....	12,595.
Auto Permits/Town Clerk Fees .....	22,500.
Insurance .....	22,000.
Advertising and Regional Association .....	1,920.
Strafford Regional Planning Comm. Dues .....	2,628.
Contingency Fund .....	3,000.
Annual CPA Audit .....	5,500.

Ambulance .....	1,000.
Emergency Management .....	750.
Building Inspection .....	10,000.
General Highway Expenses & Town Maintenance .....	253,000.
Street Lighting .....	3,700.
Solid Waste Disposal .....	155,000.
Animal Control .....	5,000.
Health Inspector .....	400.
Rural District Visiting Nurse .....	4,118.
General Assistance and Welfare .....	10,000.
Community Action .....	1,500.
Sexual Assault Support Service .....	992.
My Friend's Place .....	200.
Parks and Recreation .....	17,000.
Library .....	35,338.
Patriotic Purposes and Fire Works .....	4,500.
Water Test - Bow Lake .....	200.
Conservation Commission .....	750.
Interest Expense & Tax Anticipation Notes .....	2,000.
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$716,691.</b>

[The intent of this article is to raise the sum of Seven hundred sixteen thousand six hundred ninety-one dollars (\$716,691.), exclusive of all other Articles addressed.]

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

17. "We the undersigned registered voters in the Town of Strafford, petition the town to see if the Town will vote establish a committee to study the costs and feasibility of hiring a Town Manager. The committee, to be appointed by our State Representative, Michael Harrington, is to be comprised of one representative from the Selectman's office, one from Center Strafford, one from Crown Point, one from Bow Lake, and one from Over the Mountain. The Committee will report their findings at a public hearing to be held before Labor Day 2001 to ensure the greatest number of taxpayers may be present. The public will be notified of the hearing date, time, and location at least 30 days in advance." (by Petition.)

18. "To vote to authorize the creation and installation of a recycling committee comprised of the following disciplines: (1) Transfer Station Employee, (1) Selectman, (3) Residents of the Town of Strafford. Purpose: Reduce the Town's waste disposal costs with a minimum impact to the residents." (by Petition.)

19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize prepayment of property taxes and to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayments as provided by RSA 80:52-a. This authority shall continue indefinitely until rescinded by a vote of a future town meeting.

20. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 13th day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and One.

Gloria Creamer  
JoAnn Brown  
Lester Huckins  
*Selectmen of Strafford*

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

Gloria Creamer  
JoAnn Brown  
Lester Huckins



## REPORT FROM THE SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

As we begin the year 2001, we continue to plan for significant changes coming over the next few years. These will include a centrally located post office, the completion of the 911 numbering process, planning for new municipal facilities and continuing improvements at the Transfer Station/Recycling Facility.

We want to thank everyone for their patience and understanding as we shift from a landfill facility to a transfer station facility. We have hired CMA Engineers, Inc. to help us with the landfill closure process. We are pleased to report that the hydrogeologic testing completed so far, shows no contamination of surrounding surface water or groundwater in the area around the old landfill and transfer station. Robert Grillo, our CMA consultant, will be helping us to secure the necessary grants and other state funding available to minimize the impact on our tax rate. He has agreed to attend our Town Meeting to explain the closure process and answer any questions you may have.

In an effort to coordinate our 911 numbering with the completion of our new Post Office, we are working with the State to keep this process moving as quickly as possible. As of this date, we have been told that we are third on the list. We have also purchased land adjoining the new Post Office site for the construction of a municipal facility to house the Police, Fire & Rescue and Town Offices. We have taken an option on an additional six acres abutting this lot for possible expansion or additional municipal buildings.

Beginning in May, the Town Clerk will be offering renewal registrations for motor vehicles by mail. This new service will be a help to all of our residents.

As there has been some interest in having a two part Town Meeting. Article 2 on the official ballot to be voted on during regular polling hours, gives voters the option. If adopted, next years's election would be held on the second Tuesday in March, but, the business part of the meeting would be held in a second session, most probably on the following Saturday.

To all of the volunteers who continue to serve on the various Boards, Committees, Commissions and Fire and Rescue Squad, we would like to express our thanks. Strafford is growing and we are attempting to grow with it, responsibly, without too much of an added cost to our residents. This can be accomplished with help from all of you.

Respectfully,  
Lester E. Huckins, Chairman  
Gloria G. Creamer, Selectman  
JoAnn Brown, Selectman

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD, N.H.

Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3,V)	War. Art.	Appropriations Prior Year as appv. by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year (recomm.)
4130-39 Executive	16	41,475	41,465	43,225
4140-49 Elect. Reg. & Vital Stat.				
Auto Permits & Town Clerk Fees**	16	30,800	30,627	37,600
4150-51 Fin. Ad. CPA Audit	16	42,275	38,646	42,275
4152 Reval. of Property & Tax Maps	16	8,800	8,779	10,000
4153 Legal Expense	16	10,000	3,614	10,000
4155-59 FICA, Medi, Unemp. Comp	16	20,196	18,023	21,000
4191-93 Planning & Zoning	16	5,000	2,996	5,000
4194 Gen. Gov. Bldg.	16	12,595	10,897	12,595
4196 Insurance	16	22,000	16,886	22,000
4197 Adver. & Reg. Assoc & SRPC	16	4,176	4,303	4,548
4199 Contingency	16	3,000	0	3,000
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>				
4210-14 Police	11	188,168	179,307	202,927
4215-19 Ambulance	16	1,000	0	1,000
4220-29 Fire & Rescue	5	48,464	52,429	60,100
4240-49 Building Inspection	16	8,000	7,145	10,000
4290-98 Emergency Mgt.	16	750	0	750
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>				
4311 Gen. Hwy. & Twn. Mnt.	16	239,500	244,019	253,000
4316 Street Lighting	16	2,700	2,333	3,700
<b>SANITATION</b>				
4324 Solid Waste Disposal	16	134,000	158,008	155,000
<b>HEALTH</b>				
4411 Health Officer	16	400	232	400
4414 Animal Control	16	5,000	3,382	5,000
4415-19 Rural Distr. Vst. Nurse	16	4,118	4,118	4,118
<b>WELFARE</b>				
4441-42 Admin. & Dir. Asst.	16	11,000	769	10,000
4445-49 Comm. Actn., My Friends Pl. & Sexual Asstt.Support	16	2,192	2,192	2,692
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>				
4520-29 Parks & Recreation	16	17,000	10,852	17,000
4550-59 Library	16	30,156	28,661	35,338
4583 Patriotic Purposes	16	4,500	4,300	4,500
4589 Water Test - Bow Lake	16	200	200	200
<b>CONSERVATION</b>				
4611-12 Cons. Comm	16	750	756	750
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>				
Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	16	2,000	0	2,000
<b>SUBTOTAL 1</b>		<b>900,215</b>	<b>874,939</b>	<b>979,718</b>



### SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr Art.	Appropriations Prior Year as Appv. by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Yr. (Recom.)
4902 CRF-Police Vehicle	12	0	0	12,000
4915 CRF-Rd Mnt Strg Fac..	4	5,000	5,000	5,000
4916 Cons Comm Land Rgts Cost		5,000	5,000	0
4916 Forest Fire Suppression	7	0	0	3,000

### INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

4901 Road Improvements	3	159,500	159,500	166,000
4909 Transf Sta/Lndfll Compl	13	30,300	30,300	40,000
4901 Safety/Muni Fac Land	15	35,000	35,000	69,000
4901 Muni Fac Enging & Archi Servs		0	0	20,000
4902 Forest Fire Fghtng Equip	8	6,200	6,200	2,000
4902 Fire Dept Gear & Equip	6	4,500	4,500	25,200
4902 Thermal Imaging Unit	9	0	0	16,500
4909 Crown Pt Fire Sta Reprs	10	0	0	6,000*
4902 Police Vehicle		24,000	23,096	0
4902 Fire Truck		190,000	189,525	0
4909 Library Site Work		16,000	16,000	0
4909 Master Plan Update		4,000	4,000	0
4909 Recy Ctr/Transf Sta Improv		31,000	30,748	0
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				<b>344,700</b>

\*\*Art. 10 to be partially offset by withdrawal from capital reserve fund

SOURCE OF REVENUE	Est. Rev. Prior Yr.	Actual Rev. Prior Yr.	Est. Revenue Ensuing Yr.
<b>TAXES</b>			
3120 Land Use Change Taxes	48,900	52,907	25,000
3185 Timber Taxes	25,600	25,664	15,000
3190 Int. & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	35,000	52,323	45,000
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>			
3220 M/V Permit Fees	400,000	451,568	450,000
3230 Building Permits	11,000	12,279	11,000
3290 Other Licenses, Permits & Fees**	21,000	22,505	22,500
<b>FROM STATE</b>			
3351 Shared Revenue	16,492	33,854	33,854
3352 Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	76,932	76,932	76,932
3353 Highway Block Grant	85,988	85,988	92,625
3359 Div Forest & Lands/COPS FAST***	14,333	4,990	25,000
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>			
3401-06 Income from Departments	6,000	7,737	6,500
3409 Planning Bd/Bd of Adj.	4,000	4,815	4,500
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>			
3502 Interest on Investments	40,000	48,494	45,000
3503-09 Ins. Adj/Refunds/Reimb/Fines	2,404	8,657	1,000
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>			
3915 From Capital Reserve Funds	93,753	93,753	5,500
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>			
Fund Bal. ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes	<u>130,000</u>	<u>130,000</u>	<u>130,000</u>
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE &amp; CREDITS</b>	<b>1,011,402</b>	<b>1,112,466</b>	<b>989,411</b>

\*\*This revenue partially offset appropriation for Auto Perm., Town Clerk Fees, Elec., Regis. & Vital Statics.

\*\*\* This revenue partially offsets appropriatins for Articles 7 and 11.

## BUDGET SUMMARY

SUBTOTAL 1 APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED .....	979,718
SUBTOTAL 2 SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES RECOMMENDED .....	20,000
SUBTOTAL 3 "INDIVIDUAL" WARRANT ARTICLES RECOMMENDED .....	344,700
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED .....	1,344,418
LESS: AMOUNT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES & CREDITS .....	989,411
ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE RAISED .....	355,007

## FINANCIAL REPORT

**For the Year January 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001**

<b>REVENUES .....</b>	<b>Acct Number</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Property Taxes .....	3110	4,687,619
Taxes assessed for school districts ..... \$2,705,880		
Land Use Change Taxes .....	3120	52,907
Timber Taxes .....	3185	27,112
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes .....	3190	66,632
TOTAL .....		4,834,270
 <b>LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES</b>		
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees .....	3220	451,568
Building Permits .....	3230	12,279
Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees .....	3290	23,279
TOTAL .....		487,126
 <b>REVENUE FROM THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE</b>		
Shared Revenue Block Grant .....	3351	33,854
Meals and rooms distribution .....	3352	76,932
Highway block grant .....	3353	85,988
Other state grants and reimbursements .....	3359	7,112
TOTAL .....		203,886
 <b>REVENUE FROM CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>		
Income from Departments .....	3401	8,541
Garbage-refuse Charges .....	3404	3,317
TOTAL .....		11,858
 <b>REVENUE FROM MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES</b>		
Interest on investments .....	3502	48,494
Other miscellaneous sources .....	3509	8,656
TOTAL .....		57,150
 <b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>		
Transfers from Capital Reserve Fund .....	3915	95,183
TOTAL .....		95,183
 <b>TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES .....</b>		<b>5,689,473</b>
<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY .....</b>		<b>362,958</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL .....</b>		<b>6,052,431</b>

GENERAL GOVERNMENT .....	Acct Number	Amount
Executive .....	4130	41,465
Election, Registration, Vital Statistics .....	4140	30,626
Financial Administration .....	4150	38,646
Revaluation of Property .....	4152	8,779
Legal Expense .....	4153	3,614
Personnel Administration .....	4155	49,741
Planning and zoning .....	4191	2,996
General Government Building .....	4194	10,922
Insurance not otherwise allocated .....	4196	16,886
Advertising and Regional Association .....	4197	4,303
TOTAL .....		<u>207,978</u>
PUBLIC SAFETY		
Police .....	4210	146,906
Fire .....	4220	53,707
Building Inspection .....	4240	<u>7,145</u>
TOTAL .....		<u>207,758</u>
HIGHWAYS & STREETS		
Highways and streets .....	4312	346,138
Street Lighting .....	4316	<u>2,333</u>
TOTAL .....		<u>348,471</u>
SANITATION		
Solid Waste Disposal .....	4324	<u>158,009</u>
TOTAL .....		<u>158,009</u>
HEALTH		
Administration .....	4411	232
Pest control .....	4414	3,382
Health agencies and hospitals .....	4415	<u>4,118</u>
TOTAL .....		<u>7,732</u>
WELFARE		
Direct Assistance .....	4442	769
Other Welfare .....	4449	<u>2,192</u>
TOTAL .....		<u>2,961</u>
CULTURE AND RECREATION		
Parks and Recreation .....	4520	10,852
Library .....	4550	<u>28,661</u>
Patriotic Purposes .....	4583	4,300
Other culture and recreation .....	4589	<u>200</u>
TOTAL .....		<u>44,013</u>
CONSERVATION		
Administration .....	4611	<u>757</u>
TOTAL .....		<u>757</u>
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
Land & Improvements .....	4901	21,000
Machinery, vehicles, and equipment .....	4902	223,321
Buildings .....	4903	57,395

Improvements other than buildings .....	4909	185
TOTAL .....		<u>301,901</u>
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		
Transfers to Capital Reserve Funds .....	4916	5,000
TOTAL .....		<u>5,000</u>
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS		
Taxes assessed for county .....	4931	405,123
Taxes assessed for school districts .....	4933	2,705,880
Payments to other governments .....	<u>4939</u>	<u>1,175,386</u>
TOTAL .....		<u>4,286,389</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES .....		<u>5,570,969</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY .....		<u>481,462</u>
GRAND TOTAL .....		6,052,431

ASSETS .....	Acct No.	Beg. of Yr.	End of Yr.
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and equivalents .....	1010	85,902	170,848
Investments .....	1030	1,505,000	1,615,000
Taxes receivable .....	1080	300,405	445,905
Tax liens receivable .....	1110	<u>191,708</u>	<u>189,595</u>
TOTAL ASSETS .....		<u>2,083,015</u>	<u>2,421,348</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Warrants and Accounts Payable .....	2020	12,615	11,338
Due to school districts .....	2075	<u>1,707,442</u>	<u>1,924,501</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES .....		<u>1,720,057</u>	<u>1,935,839</u>
FUND EQUITY			
Reserve for encumbrances .....	2440	5,500	5,500
Reserve for continuing appropriations .....	2450	7,210	111,258
Unreserved fund balance .....	2530	<u>350,248</u>	<u>368,751</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY .....		<u>362,958</u>	<u>485,509</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY .....		<u>2,083,015</u>	<u>2,421,348</u>

RECONCILIATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY	
School district liability at beginning of year .....	1,707,442
ADD: School district assessment for current year .....	2,705,880
TOTAL LIABILITY WITHIN CURRENT YEAR .....	<u>4,413,322</u>
SUBTRACT: Payments made to school district .....	<u>2,488,821</u>
School district liability at end of year .....	1,924,501



DETAILED EXPLANATION

WA	Acct#	Description .....	Yr. Voted	Amount
23	2440	Audit .....	2000	5,500
23	2450	Paving Contract .....	2000	38,982
23	2450	Paving Contract .....	2000	18,400
19	2450	Municipal Facilities Land .....	2000	30,000
13	2450	Boundary Lines .....	2000	2,643
14	2450	Boundary Survey .....	2000	2,249
10	2450	Transfer Station Improvements .....	2000	7,851
21	2450	Master Plan Update .....	2000	3,883
13	2450	911 Street Numbering .....	2000	2,250
22		Cons. Comm. Land, Rights, Cost ...	2000	5,000
		TOTAL RESERVES .....		116,758

SUMMARY OF REVENUES FOR ALL OTHER FUNDS

REVENUE BY SOURCE

Revenue from charges for services - other .....	13,519
Revenue from miscellaneous sources	
Interest on investments .....	215
Other miscellaneous sources .....	33,293
TOTAL REVENUE FROM OTHER FUNDS .....	47,027

EXPENDITURES

Culture and recreation .....	40,248
Conservation .....	200
TOTAL EXPENDITURES .....	40,448

BALANCE SHEET FOR SUMMARY OF ALL OTHER FUNDS

ASSETS

Cash and equivalents .....	35,544
TOTAL ASSETS .....	35,544

FUND EQUITY/CAPITAL

Unreserved fund balance .....	35,544
TOTAL FUND EQUITY .....	35,544
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY .....	35,544

SALARIES AND WAGES ..... 243,034

Report here the total salaries and wages paid to all employees of your city before deductions for social security, retirement, etc. Include also salaries and wages paid to employees of any utility owned and operated by your government, as well as salaries and wages of city employees charged to construction projects. These amounts may be taken from the W3 form filed by your government for the year ended December 31.

# STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR 2000

Purposes of Appropriations	For Use by Town
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	
Executive .....	41,475
Election, Registration, Vital Statistics, Auto Permit .....	30,800
Financial Administration, CPA Audit .....	42,275
Revaluation of Property, Tax Maps .....	8,800
Legal Expense & Non Lapsing Lgl. ....	10,000
Personal Administration, FICA, MEDI, Unemp. Comp .....	48,483
Planning & Zoning .....	5,000
General Government Buildings .....	12,595
Insurance .....	22,000
Advertising & Regional Assoc., SRPC .....	4,176
Other General Government Contingency .....	3,000
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	
Police .....	143,226
Ambulance .....	1,000
Fire & Rescue .....	48,464
Building Inspection .....	8,000
Emergency Management .....	750
<b>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</b>	
Administration, Gen. Hwy. & Town Maintenance .....	239,500
Street Lighting .....	2,700
<b>SANITATION</b>	
Solid Waste Disposal .....	134,000
<b>HEALTH</b>	
Administration Health Officer .....	400
Pest Control - Animal Control .....	5,000
Rural District Visiting Nurse .....	4,118
<b>WELFARE</b>	
Administration & Direct Assistance .....	11,000
Community Action, My Friend's Place, Sexual Assault Support .....	2,192
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>	
Parks & Recreation .....	17,000
Library .....	30,156
Patriotic Purposes .....	4,500
Water Test - Bow Lake .....	200
<b>CONSERVATION</b>	
Conservation Commission .....	750
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>	
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes .....	2,000



<b>Purposes of Appropriations</b>	<b>For Use by Town</b>
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>	
Land .....	211,155
Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment .....	224,700
Improvements other than Buildings .....	81,300
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>	
To Capital Reserve Fund Rd. Mnt. Strge Fac .....	5,000
To Expendable Trust Funds Cons Comm Land, Rgts, Cost .....	<u>5,000</u>
<b>TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS .....</b>	<b>1,410,715</b>
	<b>For Use by Town</b>
<b>REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES</b>	
<b>TAXES</b>	
Land Use Change Taxes .....	48,900
Timber Tax .....	25,600
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes .....	35,000
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees .....	400,000
Building Permits .....	11,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees** .....	21,000
<b>FROM STATE</b>	
Shared Revenues .....	16,492
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution .....	76,932
Highway Block Grant .....	85,988
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>	
Income from Departments .....	6,000
Planning Board/Board of Adjustment .....	4,000
Div. Forest/Lands & COPS FAST*** .....	14,333
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>	
Interest on Investments .....	40,000
Ins. Adj./Refunds/Reimb/Fines .....	<u>2,404</u>
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>	
Capital Reserve Funds .....	93,753
Proc. from Long Term Bonds and Notes .....	881,402
Fund Balance - Reduce Taxes .....	130,000
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDIT .....</b>	<b>1,011,402</b>

REQUESTED OVERLAY \$30,000

\*\* This revenue to be used to partially offset appropriation for Auto Perm., Town Clerk Fees, Elec. & Registr., and Vital Statistics

\*\*\*This revenue partially offsets appropriations 1 for Articles 7 and 16

**2000 TAX RATE CALCULATION  
TOWN/CITY OF: STRAFFORD**

Appropriations .....	1,410,715
Less: Revenues .....	-1,011,402
Less: Shared Revenues .....	-12,195
Add: Overlay .....	31,670
War Service Credits .....	<u>10,550</u>
Net Town Appropriation .....	429,338
Approved Town/City Tax Effort .....	429,338
Municipal Tax Rate .....	2.38

**SCHOOL PORTION**

Net Local School Budget .....	5,589,669
Less: Adequate Education Grant .....	-1,710,895
Less: State Education Taxes .....	-1,172,894
Approved School(s) Tax Effort .....	2,705,880
Local Education Tax Rate .....	15.06

**STATE EDUCATION TAXES**

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x .....	6.60
177,711,209 .....	1,172,894
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities) .....	6.65
176,442,507 .....	
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted To State .....	0

**COUNTY PORTION**

Due to County .....	405,123
Less: Shared Revenues .....	-5,167
Approved County Tax Effort .....	399,956
County Tax Rate .....	<u>2.23</u>
Combined Tax Rate .....	26.32
Total Property Taxes Assessed .....	4,708,068
Less: War Service Credits .....	<u>(10,550)</u>
Total Property Tax Commitment(s) .....	4,697,518

## PROOF OF RATE

	Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax	176,442,507	6.65	1,172,894
All Other Taxes	179,701,307	19.67	<u>3,535,174</u>
			4,708,068
Barbara J. Robinson			

## SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION 2000

Item	Acres	2000 Assessed Valuation
Value of Land Only	21,393.89	916,407
Residential	7,261.00	66,604,600
Commercial/Industrial	5.65	71,300
Total of Taxable Land	28,660.54	<u>67,592,307</u>
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable (\$2,033,800)	2,003.53	
Value of Buildings Only Residential .....		108,439,900
Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31 .....		410,200
Commercial/Industrial .....		270,800
Total of Taxable Buildings .....		<u>109,120,900</u>
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable (\$4,129,600)		
Public Utilities - Public Serv. of NH, No. Country Water Supply		3,258,800
Public Utilities - City of Rochester (municipal) .....		9,300
Valuation Before Exemptions .....		<u>179,981,307</u>
Elderly Exemption .....		-220,000
Disabled Exemption .....		<u>-60,000</u>
Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate is Computed .....		179,701,307
Less Public Utilities .....		<u>-3,258,800</u>
Net Valuation without Utilities on which tax rate for State education tax is computed .....		176,442,507

## TAX CREDITS

	Limits	Number of Individuals	Estimated Tax Credit
Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty	700	3	2,100
Other War Service Credits 169(50.)		<u>169</u>	<u>8,450</u>
TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT		173	10,550

## UTILITY SUMMARY

Public Service Company of NH .....	3,225,600
Water Company - North Country Water Supply .....	<u>33,200</u>
Total .....	3,258,800
 City of Rochester - Municipal .....	 9,300

## ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT

Number of Applicants with INITIAL APPLICATION for Elderly Exemption for Current Year			Total Number of Individuals GRANTED an Elderly Exemption for the current Year			
Age	#	Amount	Age	#	Amount	Total
65-74		15,000	65-74	3	15,000	45,000
75-79	1	20,000	75-79	4	80,000	75,000
80+			80+	<u>4</u>	25,000	<u>100,000</u>
			TOTAL	11		<u>220,000</u>

## CURRENT USE REPORT - RSA 79-A

Farm Land	553.90	Receiving 20% Recreation Adjustment	4,177.36
Forest Land	19,785.16	Removed from current use during current year	50.91
Unproductive Land		# of owners granted current use	318
Wet Land	<u>1,054.83</u>	# of Parcels in current use	558
TOTAL	21,393.89		

### TOWN OFFICERS'S SALARIES

Lester Huckins .....	\$2,100.00
Gloria Creamer .....	2,100.00
JoAnn Brown .....	2,100.00
Bertha Huckins .....	2,600.04
Nancy Goedker .....	**1,629.21
Judith Dupre .....	11,750.01
M. Justine Leighton .....	175.00
William G. Lord .....	75.00

### TOWN OFFICE EXPENSES

Town Clerk's Fees .....	** 21,812.25
Auto Permits .....	\$7,198.50
Vital Statistics .....	125.00
Municipal Agent Fees .....	10,017.50
M/V Title .....	1,674.00
Marriage License .....	98.00
UCC/IRS Filings .....	1,713.25
Wetland Perm/Pole License .....	200.00
Articles of Agreement .....	4.00
Animal Control Fees .....	762.00
Administrative Assistant .....	35,090.28
Deputy Tax Collector .....	637.50
Deputy Town Clerk .....	3,687.00
Clerical .....	6,535.46
Office Supplies .....	1,321.38
Postage .....	2,505.51
Printing .....	2,621.69
Conferences/Training .....	846.55
Reference Materials .....	443.78
Boat Agent's Fees .....	136.00
Deed Research/Tax Lien .....	460.00
Recording Fees .....	814.00
Sponsor March Calendar .....	50.00
Cleaning and Supplies .....	500.00



**TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2000**

**RECEIPTS**

Balance January 1, 2000 .....	\$1,590,902.47	
Receipts .....	<u>\$5,548,306.81</u>	
Total Receipts .....		7,139,209.28

**EXPENDITURES**

Expenditures 2000 .....	\$5,353,361.06	
Balance Check Book, Dec. 31, 2000 .....	170,848.22	
Balance Investment Account .....	<u>1,615,000.00</u>	
Total Expenditures .....		\$7,139,209.28

N.H. Deposit Investment Pool .....	1,615,000.00
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N.H. Deposit Investment Pool Strafford Con. Com. Easement Fund	10,709.57
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**Fleet Bank**

Con. Com. Acct. #041-007263-1

Balance December 31, 1999 .....	3,921.37	
Withdrawal .....	-200.00	
Interest Earned 2000 .....	<u>82.37</u>	\$3,803.74

Con. Com. Neil Mooers Memorial

Account #091-003656-5

Balance December 31, 1999 .....	1,508.56	
Interest Earned 2000 .....	<u>31.98</u>	\$1,540.54

Town of Strafford Ambulance Acct

Account #942-578507-8

Beginning Bal .....	984.44	
Deposited .....	\$13,458.72	
Interest earned 2000 .....	<u>99.62</u>	\$14,542.78



# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Strafford, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Strafford as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999 as listed in the table of contents. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Strafford management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the General Fixed Assets Account Group and Long Term Debt Account Group (Landfill Closure and Post Closure Care Costs), which should be included to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. The amounts that should be recorded in the General Fixed Assets Account Group and Long Term Debt Account Group (Landfill Closure and Post Closure Care Costs) are not known.

In our opinion, except for the omission of the information discussed in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Strafford as of December 31, 1999, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

The Town of Strafford has not presented the disclosures required by Governmental Accounting Standards Technical Bulletin 98-1, Disclosures about Year 2000 Issues, as amended by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Technical Bulletin 99-1, that the governmental Accounting Standards Board has determined are necessary to supplement, although not be a part of, the basic financial statements. In addition, we do not provide assurance that the Town of Strafford is or will become year 2000 compliant, that the Town of Strafford's year 2000 remediation efforts will be successful in whole or in part, or that parties with which the Town of Strafford does business are or will become year 2000 compliant.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The individual and combining fund financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Strafford. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly

presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

GRZELAKE AND COMPANY, P.C., CPS'S  
Laconia, New Hampshire

February 16, 2000

## TOWN MEETING - MARCH 14, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, March 14, 2000 at the Strafford Elementary School in the Town of Strafford, by Moderator Russell Shillaber to act on Article one of the 2000 Town Warrant by ballot vote.

The ballots were cast and the meeting recessed at 7 p.m. for the purpose of tallying the votes. The meeting was brought to order again at 8 p.m. by the Moderator.

At this point he announced that the meeting would be conducted according to the "Modified Roberts Rules of Order" and all articles of the warrant would be considered as motions before the meeting and would require no second. The Moderator asked all unregistered voters to declare themselves by a show of hands. He asked that all questions and comments be directed to the chair and that proponents of each article be allowed to address the article before discussion begins.

### **Article 1:** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Voters on the checklist .....	2,513
Votes cast .....	426
Selectman - Three years	
Lester Huckins .....	340
Road Agent - One year	
Greg Messenger.....	392
Library Trustee - Three years	
Pamela Marks .....	371
Trustee of the Trust Funds - Three years	
Roger Leighton .....	390
Supervisor of Checklist - Six years	
Carol Cooper .....	268
Moderator - Two Years	
William Lord .....	113

**Article 2.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two hundred seven thousand six hundred eighty dollars (\$207,680.) for the purchase of a new pumper fire truck, and to authorize the issuance of not more than One hundred sixty-two thousand six hundred eighty dollars (\$162,680.) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of Forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000.) plus interest from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose for the down payment. The maximum bond payments for the second, third, and fourth years will be as follows: 2001: \$59,280., 2002: \$55,700.; 2003: \$47,700. (2/3 ballot vote required)

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Loren Pierce, Chief of the Fire Department, addressed this article. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Irving Johnson to amend this article to read, "raise \$145,000. on the taxes this year and delete the bond issue and buy a new truck this year." A second was heard. After a lengthy discussion on the amendment it was brought to the town's attention, by Lester Huckins, that we need to appropriate the total cost of \$190,000. Mr Johnson agreed that he would modify his amendment to appropriate the total amount needed to purchase the fire truck this year. A motion was heard to move the discussion and put the amendment to a vote, a second was heard. The amendment as read: "To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred ninety thousand dollars (\$190,000.) this year for the purchase of a new pumper fire truck and to authorize the withdrawal of Forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000. )plus interest from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose for the down payment", was put to a vote. The amendment passed. There was no further discussion and the article was voted on as amended. The article passed.



**Article 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the future repair and/or replacement of fire and rescue vehicles and/or equipment.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

This article was dependent on the non-passage of Article 2. Based on the affirmative vote on Article 2 the moderator asked for a motion to dispose of this article. A motion was heard and seconded. A vote to eliminate this article was passed.

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.) for the tank replacement, repairs and equipment for 25M1.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

This article was dependent on the non-passage of Article 2. Based on the affirmative vote on Article 2 the moderator asked for a motion to dispose of this article. A motion was heard and seconded. A vote to eliminate this article was passed.

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-eight thousand four hundred sixty-four dollars (\$48,464.) for the operation and maintenance of the Strafford Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Loren Pierce, Chief of the Fire Department, addressed this article. No discussion, vote was affirmative.

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4,500.) for the purchase of new structural fire fighting gear.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Loren Pierce, Chief of the Fire Department, addressed this article and the town was shown what the "structural fire gear" looked like. After a short discussion vote was affirmative.

**Article 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six thousand two hundred dollars (\$6,200.) to purchase portable radios, Indian pumps, portable pumps and other forest fire fighting related equipment. This article if voted will be partially funded by a grant from the NH Division of Forests and Lands. The anticipated funding is estimated to be Five thousand dollars (\$5000.) The balance to come from general taxation. This article is to be rescinded if grant is not awarded.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Loren Pierce, Chief of the Fire Department, addressed this article. After short discussion vote was affirmative.

**Article 8:** Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict 100% of revenues received from ambulance billing to expenditures for the purpose of future purchase and/or replacement of rescue vehicles and/or equipment? Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the Rescue Vehicle and Equipment Fund separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of revenue. (Majority ballot vote required).

The Selectmen recommend this article.

Loren Pierce, Chief of the Fire Department, addressed this article. After a brief discussion this article was put to a vote by written ballot. Yes 178 No 17 Article passed.

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-one thousand dollars (\$31,000.) to be used for improvements to the Transfer/Recycling Center, including but not limited to, fencing, lighting, concrete pads and installation of additional compactors.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

JoAnn Brown, Selectmen, addressed this article. After a brief discussion vote was affirmative.

**Article 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty thousand three hundred dollars (\$30,300.) for technical assistance (i.e. Engineering , Hydrogeologic investigations, groundwater monitoring) and other costs associated with Transfer Station/Landfill compliance with State requirements, and to authorize the withdrawal of Thirty thousand three hundred dollars (\$30,300.) from the capital reserve fund previously established for this purpose

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

JoAnne Brown, Selectmen, addressed this article. After a short discussion vote was affirmative

**Article 11.** To see if the Town will vote to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend the funds in the capital reserve fund previously established for use at the refuse center to cover additional costs associated with closing the landfill.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Lester Huckins, Selectmen addressed this article. He stated that, "this is where the additional funds will come from to close the landfill. There is about \$80,000 dollars in this capital reserve fund to withdraw on to do the additional work on the landfill". After a short discussion vote was affirmative.

**Article 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One hundred fifty-nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$159,500.) for capital improvement to the following roads .

a. Second Crown Point Road - Appx. .5 mile from the end of the existing pavement in a Northerly direction (drainage work, gravel and paving).

b. Webber Road/JoAlCo - Appx. .75 mile from the intersection of the Province Road to the top of the steep hill in a Westerly direction (drainage work, gravel and paving).

c. Leonard Caverly Road - Appx. 1,501 Ft. in length (paving)

d. Spruce Pond Drive - Appx. 2,904 ft. in length (paving)

The Selectmen recommended this appropriation.

Lester Huckins, Selectmen, addressed this article. No discussion and vote was affirmative.

**Article 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of establishing a storage facility for material used in the care and maintenance of Town roads and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend the funds in this fund.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Lester Huckins, Selectmen addressed this article. No discussion, vote was affirmative.

**Article 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One hundred forty-three thousand two hundred twenty-six dollars (\$143,226.) for the operation and maintenance of the Police Department.

The Moderator informed the town that there was a request for a written ballot on this article and it would be honored.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Scott Young, Chief of Police, addressed this article. After a discussion of this article it was put to a vote by written ballot. Yes 149 No 47 Article passes.

**Article 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000.) for the purchase of a police vehicle and equipment, and to authorize the withdrawal of Twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.) plus interest from the capital reserve fund established for this purpose and to dissolve the capital reserve fund. The balance to come from general taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Scott Young, Chief of Police, addressed this article. After a short discussion vote was affirmative.

**Article 16:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the hiring of a full time officer and to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine thousand five hundred seventeen dollars (\$9,517.) to cover this position and benefits for the period beginning from September through December 2000. This position, if voted would be partially funded for a three year period under the COPS FAST program through the U.S. Department of Justice. Based on a cost of Twenty-eight thousand five hundred fifty dollars (\$28,550.)



to cover the position and benefits for a one year period, and with the intent of hiring a full time officer effective September 1, 2000, the anticipated funding for 2000 would be Nine thousand three hundred thirty-three dollars (\$9,333.) from the COPS FAST grant with the estimated balance of One hundred eighty-four dollars (\$184.) to come from general taxation.

The moderator informed the town that a petition for a written ballot has been received on this article, therefore this will be a written ballot.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Scott Young, Chief of Police, addressed this article. Chief Young addressed some problems with part time officers and the advantage of having another full time officer. He further stated, "that with the hiring of a full time officer they would be cutting out 2-3 part time officers". Loren Pierce asked, "why would the new officer start on September 1st and not June 1st or even May 1st, because summer is when we have most of the problems and how much extra would that cost"? After further discussion a motion was made by Ed Lyons to amend the article to read, "a full time officer effective June 1, 2000," A second was heard, and the article was moved for discussion on the amendment. It was then brought to the attention that the dollar amounts would also need to be changed. After further discussion on the amendment the question was moved to a vote. The amendment was then read as : " To see if the Town will vote to authorize the hiring of a Full time officer and to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen thousand six hundred fifty-five dollars (\$16,655.) to cover this position and benefits for the period beginning from June through December 2000. This position, if voted would be partially funded for a three year period under the COPS FAST program through the U.S. Department of Justice. Based on a cost of Twenty-eight thousand five hundred fifty dollars (\$28,550.) to cover the position and benefits for a one year period, and with the intent of hiring a full time officer effective June 1, 2000, the anticipated funding for 2000 would be Nine thousand three hundred thirty-three dollars (\$9,333.) for the COPS FAST grant with the estimated balance of Three hundred sixty seven dollars (\$367.) to come from general taxation." After a tally count the amendment carried. (Yes 95 No 77) There was further discussion on the amended article and it was put to a ballot vote. Yes 124 No 71 Article passes.

**Article 17:** To hear the report of Municipal and Safety Complex Committee established pursuant to Article 19 voted at the 1999 Town Meeting.

The Selectmen recommend this article.

Mark Thompson, committee member, addressed this article. The committee was made up of seven individuals. One from "Over the Mountain, one from Center Strafford, one from Crown Point, one from Bow Lake, and a representative from the Police Department, Fire Department, and Selectmen's Office. Mark referred to the 1999 Annual Town Report for the results of the committees findings. Mark stated "that in the committees eight months of deliberation a number of things were determined, one was that the town was growing. The current population is probably around 3,200 and will easily be 3,500 to 3,600 in three to five years. By the end of the current decade it will probably be 3,700 - 3,800. We are in fact the third fastest growing town in Strafford County. The current Public Safety Facilities that we have in town, the Police Station and three Fire Stations can best be described as inadequate at best. The current Town Offices is about 1,000 square feet for the three Selectmen, Administration Assistant, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Building Inspector, secretarial help, storage space, and with a very congested meeting room for all of the voluntary boards that are necessary to make this town run. The committee looked at a number of different options as to what we should be doing in our town. We clearly came to the conclusion that it is appropriate at this time to consider a municipal complex for the Town of Strafford which would house the Police Department, Fire Department and Town Offices. The committee looked at the approximate cost of this complex and it seemed to run around \$750,000 to \$800,00. We are not talking about a bond issue but if the articles the committee has suggested tonight are approved the bond issue would be for discussion next year. One thing that the committee quickly found was the rapidly diminishing amount of space that would house such a facility. The committee feels that 2-2 1/2 acres at a minimum would be needed to house such a facility. Based upon the committees analyst over a course of eight months they feel it is reasonable and prudent at this time to consider a municipal complex. The committee suggested to the Selectmen that they put an article in the warrant to basically constitute a building committee that would be charged with going out to research all of the plans. This committee would then report back at the 2001 Town Meeting with a budget proposal for a bond and with the appropriate diagrams and/or models of a facility for our town. Along with that the



committee recommended that we raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000.) to purchase suitable land along Rt 126 for a municipal facility". After a short discussion the moderator moved to Article 18. No vote was required on this article.

**Article 18:** To see if the Town will vote to ask the Municipal and Safety Complex Committee formed pursuant to the 1999 Town Meeting to continue as a land search committee to find suitable land for purchase and to furthermore, study and report back to the 2001 Town Meeting on the cost and design for construction as a suitable municipal facility.

The Selectmen recommend this article.

After a short discussion vote was affirmative.

**Article 19:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase suitable land for a municipal facility and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.) for this purpose.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Lester Huckins, Selectmen, addressed this article. After a lengthy discussion concerning suitable land and whether 2 - 2 1/2 acres would be enough land. An amendment was made by Stephen Leighton to read, "To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase suitable land for a Municipal Facility and to raise and appropriate up to Thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000.) to be used as a deposit for this purpose". A second was heard and moved for discussion. After a lengthy discussion a motion was made to move the question. A second was heard. A vote was taken to move to an immediate vote on the amendment. The amendment was again read, "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase suitable land for a municipal Facility and to raise and appropriate up to Thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000.) to be used as a deposit for this purpose". Amendment passed. There was no further discussion on the article. The article was put to a vote as amended, article passed.

**Article 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000.) for the Strafford Library Association to be used for the exterior site work at the Hill Library. The site work will consist of construction of a new parking lot, a new access driveway across NHANG property, new walkway to the library entrance, drainage culvert, drainage swales, asphalt paving, demolition of the existing driveway, and backfill for the new addition.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Gloria Creamer, Selectmen, addressed this article. Kenneth Berry, President of the Library Association, also addressed this article. After a short discussion vote was affirmative.

**Article 21:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four thousand dollars (\$4,000.) for the purpose of updating the Master Plan.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Lester Huckins, Selectmen, addressed this article. After a short discussion vote was affirmative.

**Article 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.) to be added to the fund established for the acquisition in the name of the town of the fee or lesser interest in conservation lands and other costs associated therewith for permanent conservation use and further to authorize the Selectmen to accept private donations of land, interest in land or money for said purposes. Said appropriated funds may be expended by a majority vote of the Conservation Commission.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Elizabeth Evans, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, addressed this article. Cal Schroeder, Conservation Commission member addressed the donation of land from James and Marjorie Stiles. The Stiles decided to try and save the agriculture and forestry land of their farm, 125 acres, by giving the development rights to the Bear Paw Regional GreenWays. This farm has been in the family since 1761. It was recongized by USDA as a bicenntennial farm, over 200 years in the same family. This is one of the only ten family farms in existence in this area.

There was no discussion, vote was affirmative.

Article 23: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six hundred eighty-nine thousand eight hundred seventy dollars (\$689,870.) for general Town operations.

Executive .....	\$41,475.
Election & Registration .....	9,800.
Financial Administration .....	36,775.
Revaluation of Property & Tax Maps .....	8,800.
Legal Expenses .....	10,000.
Employee Benefits, FICA, Medi & Unemp. Comp .....	48,483.
Planning and Zoning .....	5,000.
General Government Building .....	12,595.
Auto permits/ Town Clerk Fees .....	21,000.
Insurance .....	22,000.
Advertising and Regional Association .....	1,820.
Strafford Regional Planning Comm. Dues .....	2,356.
Contingency Fund .....	3,000.
Annual CPA Audit .....	5,500.
Ambulance .....	1,000.
Emergency Management .....	750.
Building Inspection .....	8,000.
General Highway Expenses & Town Maintenance .....	239,500.
Street Lighting .....	2,700.
Solid Waste Disposal .....	134,000.
Animal Control .....	5,000.
Health Inspector .....	400.
Rural District Visiting Nurse .....	4,118.
General Assistance and Welfare .....	11,000.
Community Action .....	1,000.
Sexual Assault Support Service .....	992.
My Friend's Place .....	200.
Parks and Recreation .....	17,000.
Library .....	30,156.
Patriotic Purposes and Fire Works .....	2,500.
Water Test - Bow Lake .....	<u>200</u>
Conservation Commission .....	750.
Interest Expense & Tax Anticipation Notes .....	<u>2,000.</u>
TOTAL .....	<u>\$689,870.</u>

(The intent of this article is to raise the sum of Six hundred eighty-nine thousand eight hundred seventy dollars (\$689,870.) exclusive of all other Articles addressed.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Lester Huckins, Selectmen, addressed this article. After a short discussion vote was affirmative.

**Article 24:** "We the undersigned registered voters in the Town of Strafford, petition the town to raise and appropriate the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.) to be used for the purpose of displaying patriotic fireworks in the Town of Strafford to commemorate Independence Day." (by petition.)

The Selectmen do NOT recommend this appropriation.

Christina Rowland, representative from the Bow Lake Community Club, addressed this article. Lester Huckins, Selectmen, stated the reasons why the Selectmen do NOT recommend this article. Lester stated, "that we have already voted \$2,000 in the previous article to be given to the Camp Owners Association for this purpose and that Atlas Insurance already takes care of the insurance of all volunteers. If the town took over the fireworks the town's insurance would have to take it over". After a very lengthy discussion. A motion was made from Linda Hartmann to amend this article to read, "We the undersigned registered voters in the Town of Strafford, petition the town to raise and

appropriate the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.) to be used as a donation to the Camp Owners Association for the purpose of displaying patriotic fireworks in the Town of Strafford to commemorate Independence Day". The amendment was put to discussion. After another lengthy discussion a motion was made to move the question, a second was heard. A motion was made to vote on the amendment, motion carried. A vote on the amendment was made, it did not pass. Irene Abels made a motion for a second amendment to read, "We the undersigned registered voters in the Town of Strafford, petition the town to raise and appropriate the sum of Four thousand dollars (\$4,000.) to be used as a donation to the Camp Owners Association for the purpose of displaying patriotic fireworks in the Town of Strafford to commemorate Independence Day". The second amendment was put to a discussion. After a short discussion a motion was made by Joseph McCaffrey to amend the second amendment and change the amount from \$4,000 to \$2,000. A second was heard. There was no discussion on the change and a vote was made to change the amount on the second amendment from \$4,000 to \$2,000. The vote was carried. A motion was then made to move the question. A second was heard. The article as amended was put to a vote as read, "We the undersigned registered voters in the Town of Strafford, petition the town to raise and appropriate the sum of Two thousand dollars (\$2,000.) to be used as a donation to the Camp Owners Association for the purpose of displaying patriotic fireworks in the Town of Strafford to commemorate Independence Day." The article as amended carried.

**Article 25:** To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: Resolved, New Hampshire's natural cultural and historic resources in this town and throughout the state are worthy of protection and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should establish and fund a permanent public/private partnership for the voluntary conservation of these important resources.

The Selectmen recommend this article.

Lester Huckins, Selectmen, addressed this article. No discussion vote was affirmative.

**Article 26:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize prepayments as provided by RSA 80:52-a. This authority shall continue indefinitely until rescinded by a vote of future town meeting.

No discussion vote was affirmative.

**Article 27:** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Patricia Wilder asked, "How can the town Meeting can be changed to a Saturday"? Gloria Creamer, Selectmen, addressed her question and advised her that it needs to be by petition and voted on at the Town Meeting.

The Moderator requested all elected officials in uncontested races, to come forward and be sworn in to office after adjournment of the meeting.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was heard, a second received and the moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 11:45 P.M.

Lester Huckins, Greg Messenger, Pamela Marks, William Lord and Carol Cooper came forward and were sworn in.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Goedker

Strafford Town Clerk, Strafford NH 03884



## **TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR 2000**

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Tax Collector in the Town of Strafford for the past three years. The office of the Tax Collector is responsible for collecting revenue for property taxes; yield and current use taxes. Collecting revenue, as well as responding to inquiries from banks, mortgage companies, attorney's offices and the general public in a courteous and timely manner are major departmental responsibilities.

As you are aware effective April 1, 1999 New Hampshire's property tax system includes a state education property tax which will be assessed and collected by local municipalities. The Legislature enacted a provision which requires each municipality to administer the statewide property tax by assessing an amount equal to \$6.60 per \$1,000 of the total equalized value of all non-utility property in the community. However, because the taxes levied upon each individual property are based upon the local assessed value, not an equalized value, the state education property tax rate appearing on the tax bill is not necessarily \$6.60. Several other factors that influence this rate include the exemptions that we provide to our veterans, elderly and disabled residents, payments we receive in lieu of property taxes, and any new construction, which has taken place since last year. Our rate is \$6.65 per \$1,000.

Strafford's local School Budget for 2000 is \$5,589,669. The State has calculated that the cost of an adequate education in Strafford is \$2,883,789. The State Property Tax will raise \$1,172,894. We will receive an Adequate Education Grant for \$1,710,895. This leaves \$2,705,880 to be raised by our Local School Tax. This rate has been set at \$15.06 per \$1,000.

Strafford also has a Town Tax rate of \$2.38 and a County tax of \$2.23 per \$1,000. Our total tax rate is \$26.32, an increase of \$1.81 from last year. With all of the cases before the courts concerning the Tax Rate Setting System it is anyone's guess where we will be next year.

The total property tax warrants this year were \$4,697,577. Warrants for current use change tax totaled \$52,907. The total timber tax or yield tax warrants were \$27,112.36.

Our 2000 lien was \$146,126. This is a 27% decrease from last year.

I would personally like to say, Thank You, to my Deputy, Maureen Dolen. She has been a tremendous help to all of us this year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judith Dupre'  
Tax Collector

**TAX COLLECTOR REPORT**  
**Year Ending December 31, 2000**

	<b>DEBITS</b>	<b>PRIOR LEVIES</b>		
	<b>Levy for Year of this Report</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1997 &amp; Prior</b>
<b>UNCOLLECTED TAXES - BEG.OF YEAR:</b>				
Property Taxes		300,429.23	68,829.67	1,802.40
Land Use Change				721.69
Yield Taxes		1,047.56		612.58
<b>TAXED COMMITTED THIS YEAR:</b>				
Property Taxes	4,697,564.00	146,126.13		
Land Use Change	52,907.00			
Yield Taxes	27,112.36			
<b>OVERPAYMENT:</b>				
Property Taxes		2,298.26		471.62
Interest - Late Tax	3,320.20	22,582.59	23,341.40	
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>4,780,903.56</b>	<b>472,483.77</b>	<b>92,171.07</b>	<b>3,608.29</b>

**CREDITS**

<b>REMITTED TO TREASURER:</b>				
Property Taxes	4,253,791.10	300,429.23	57,373.11	1,460.00
Land Use Change Tax	52,907.00			
Yield Taxes	25,664.16	1,047.56		612.58
Interest	3,320.20	21,728.59	22,603.90	
Penalties		854.00	737.50	502.14
Conversion to Lien		146,126.13		
<b>ABATEMENTS MADE:</b>				
Property Taxes		2,298.26	1,555.30	
<b>UNCOLLECTED TAXES END OF YEAR:</b>				
Property Taxes	443,772.90		9,901.26	1,033.57
Yield Taxes	1,448.20			
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>4,780,903.56</b>	<b>472,483.77</b>	<b>92,171.07</b>	<b>3,608.29</b>



**SUMMARY OF TAX SALES/TAX ACCOUNTS**  
**Year Ending December 31, 2000**

	<b>DEBITS</b>			
	<b>Last Year's</b>			<b>1997</b>
	<b>Levy</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>&amp; Prior</b>
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Yr.		115,432.34	68,829.67	3,136.67
Liens Executed During Fiscal Yr.	146,126.13			
Interest & Costs Collected (after lien execution)	2,958.93	9,364.35	23,341.40	471.62
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	149,085.06	124,796.69	92,171.07	3,608.29

	<b>CREDITS</b>			
<b>REMITTED TO TREASURER:</b>				
Redemptions	39,071.43	43,548.88	58,928.41	2,072.58
Interest & Costs Collected (after lien execution)	2,958.93	9,364.35	23,341.40	502.14
Unredeemed Liens Bal. End of Year	107,054.70	71,883.46	9,901.26	1,033.57
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	149,085.06	124,796.69	92,171.07	3,608.29

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT FOR 2000

The town clerk's office will be closed for holidays on the following days in the year 2001: February 19, May 28, July 4, September 3, December 25. The office will also be closed on Town Election Day, March 13, 2001. The polls are open from 8:00 AM through 7:00 PM, town meeting starts at 8:00 P.M. Polls are located at the Strafford Elementary School Gymnasium.

COMING MAY 2001!! REGISTRATION RENEWALS BY MAIL. Starting in April 2001, notices will be mailed to all residents whose registration will be expiring in May 2001. You will receive a notice for each vehicle you currently have registered. If you wish to take advantage of this service you will be required to return the notice you receive with two checks, one to the Strafford Town Clerk, and one to the State of NH-DMV, and a SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE. All requests via mail need to be returned to the Town Clerk no later than the 15th of the registrant's expiration month. If you wish to come in as you do now, bring the notice (s) you received and/or your expiring registrations(s). I'm hoping that this service will be a help to each and every one of you.

DOG MUST BE LICENSED MY APRIL 30TH EVERY YEAR. This is a state law. Beginning June 1st there is a \$1.00 per month late fee added to the cost. We will be issuing notices to the Strafford Police Department for unlicensed dogs and you will receive a visit from a police officer along with a civil forfeiture fine of \$25.00 if your dog is not licensed. Please notify us if you no longer own any dogs so they can be removed from our records. A dog license is \$9.00; \$6.50 if the dog is neutered or spayed; and \$2.00 for the first dog licensed by a person over 65 (additional dogs are the regular price.) We also offer a kennel license for five or more dogs licensed at the same time. A kennel license is \$20.00. We do receive copies of rabies certificates from most vets. But, it is a good idea to bring your copy with you. If you would care to license your dog by mail, send in your rabies certificate and a check made out to the Strafford Town Clerk along with a self-addressed stamped envelope.

We licensed 762 dogs this past year. However, there are still unlicensed dogs out there. PLEASE LICENSE YOUR DOG! Licensing helps insure that all dogs are vaccinated for rabies and identifies your dog if he/she is lost. The police department and the clerk's office spend a lot of time, effort and money to track down unlicensed dogs.

The Town Clerks office hours are:

Monday - 9:00 to Noon and 4:00 to 8:00;

Tuesday - 9:00 to Noon and 4:00 to 8:00;

Wednesday - 9:00 to Noon.

This office is closed Thursday and Friday.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy J. Goedker  
Town Clerk

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**  
**for the Fiscal year Ending December 31, 2000**

**RECEIPTS:**

2000 Motor Vehicle Permits .....	451,568.00
2000 Dog Licenses .....	5,182.00
2000 Marriage Licenses .....	630.00
2000 Filing Fees .....	8.00
2000 Returned Check Fees .....	120.00
2000 Dog Control Fines .....	1,125.00
2000 Vital Statistic Copies .....	372.00
2000 Municipal Agent Fees .....	10,017.50
2000 Title Fees .....	1,674.00
2000 Wetlands Applications .....	190.00
2000 Pole Applications .....	30.00
2000 UCC/IRS Filings .....	1,713.25
2000 Postage .....	78.47
2000 Articles of Agreement .....	<u>5.00</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES ACCEPTED .....</b>	<b>\$472,713.22</b>

**REMITTANCE TO TREASURER:**

4799	Motor Vehicle Permits .....	451,568.00
762	Dog Licenses .....	5,182.00
14	Marriage Licenses .....	630.00
4	Filings .....	8.00
6	Returned Checks .....	120.00
234	Dog Penalties .....	275.00
12	Dog Fines .....	850.00
30	Vital Statistic Copies .....	372.00
4,057	Municipal Agent Fees .....	10,017.50
837	Title Fees .....	1,674.00
19	Wetland Applications .....	190.00
3	Pole Application .....	30.00
74	UCC/IRS Filings .....	1,713.25
	Postage .....	78.47
1	Articles of Agreement .....	<u>5.00</u>
<b>TOTAL REMITTED TO TREASURER .....</b>		<b>\$472,713.22</b>

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2000**

**Scott L. Young**

**Chief of Police**

### **Police Officers**

Benjamin Morse, Full Time

Eric Gale, Part Time

Thomas Bibeau, Part Time

Timothy Sawyer, PartTime

Donald Laliberte, PartTime

Michael Richard, PartTime

### **Secretary**

**Mary Macfadzen**

Below are some of the calls for service received by the Strafford Police Department in 2000.

Accidents .....	55	911 Calls .....	36
M/V Summons .....	178	M/V Warnings .....	579
Alarms .....	53	Arrests .....	45
Misdemeanor Reports .....	240	Felony Reports .....	19
Criminal Mischief .....	52	Mutual Aid .....	88
Animal Complaints .....	120	Incidents .....	580

The year 2000 saw many changes within the Police Department. We received a State grant to purchase a new \$5000.00 lap top computer. This computer is installed in the new 2000 Chevy Impala cruiser. The computer allows officers to do reports while still in the cruiser, which keeps them on the road more, and less time in the office.

We also have had some personnel changes. I stated at the 2000 Town Meeting that I would be eliminating at least two part time positions which we have done. We also had hoped to put on the new full time officer by June of last year, but we ran into a shortage of candidates. We were able to hire an excellent officer, Benjamin Morse in September. As of this writing, Officer Morse is about to graduate from The New Hampshire Police Academy. At this time we still have one more full time position to fill, and are looking at our part time officers to fill that slot.

If you would notice, the Police Department budget is up somewhat. This is mainly due to the funding of the new full time officer that was voted on last year. However, I expect a reimbursement of approximately \$21,000.00 from the COPS FAST Grant in 2001. Other areas where the budget has increased are: fuel/gasoline for the cruisers, heat and electricity for the Police building, fees to the Strafford County Dispatch Center and prosecution services.

Like always, we look forward to serving the town in 2001. We encourage community participation and input and if anyone has questions or concerns, please contact



us at any time.

Respectfully submitted,  
Scott L. Young, Chief of Police

**DETAILED STATEMENTS OF PAYMENTS & ENCUMBRANCES  
FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT 2000**

Salaries .....	106,436.36
Overtime Wages .....	1,343.07
Supplies .....	2,532.65
Gas/Milage .....	4,429.09
Training .....	106.48
Heat/Electricity .....	2,028.38
Telephone .....	5,421.13
Equipment/Maintenance .....	6,910.41
Dues .....	75.00
Cruiser Maintenance .....	2,575.87
Strafford Dispatch .....	8,872.00
Prosecution Services .....	950.00
Uniforms .....	4,278.00
Building Maintenance. ....	163.00
Project D.A.R.E. Expenditures .....	66.25
Miscellaneous .....	718.80
Benefits and NH Retirement System .....	<u>32,401.00</u>
Gross Exp. Police 2000 .....	\$179,307.49

**Revenues**

Accident Reports .....	220.00
Fines .....	624.62
Special Services Fees (incl road details) .....	968.50
Witness Fess .....	532.44
Pistol Permits .....	<u>380.00</u>
TOTAL .....	\$2,725.56



**HILL LIBRARY**  
**Annual Report for 2000**  
**Telephone 664-2800**

**LIBRARY HOURS**

**Winter**

**Nov. 1 - April 30**

Mon. 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
 Tues. 12:00 noon - 8:00 p.m.  
 Wed. 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
 Thurs. 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
 Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Summer**

**May 1 - Oct. 31**

Mon. 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
 Tues. 12:00 noon - 8:00 p.m.  
 Wed. 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
 Thurs. 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
 Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**INVENTORY**

Books owned by the Library as of Jan. 1, 2000 .....	12,000
Books purchased in 2000 .....	350
Books donated in 2000 .....	124
Books lost or discarded .....	150
Books owned (total) as of December 31, 2000 .....	12,324
Magazine subscriptions (gifts) .....	6
Magazine subscriptions (purchased) .....	24
Used magazines donated .....	31
Audio tapes .....	135
Videos owned .....	360

**CIRCULATION**

Total patron attendance per year .....	5,294
Total books circulated .....	8,487
(Fiction - 2,445; Non-fiction - 2,205; Children - 3,837)	
Magazines .....	834
Audio Tapes .....	342
Videos .....	1,632

Kathryn Steward  
 Librarian

# HILL LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 2000

## INCOME

Beginning Cash on January 1, 2000 .....	\$6,382.94
Town appropriation .....	14,570.00
Salaries paid by town .....	<u>14,090.55</u>
TOTAL INCOME .....	\$35,043.49

## Operating Expenses:

Association and Seminar expenses .....	395.00
Audio and Video Materials .....	237.49
Book Drop Container .....	450.90
Books .....	3,006.27
Children's Materials .....	1,091.78
CHILIS .....	150.00

## Computer expenses

Automation Costs .....	622.56
New computer .....	1,205.00
Winnebago Maintenance .....	<u>450.00</u>
Total Computer expenses .....	2,277.56

## Copier expenses

Paper, Toner, Drum .....	404.91
Less copier fees .....	<u>-195.80</u>
Total Copier expenses .....	209.11
Custodial Services .....	735.00
Electricity .....	1,314.26
Heat .....	2,904.00
Insurance .....	81.00
Maintenance & Hardware .....	62.06
Postage and box fees .....	157.43

## Salaries

Librarian .....	3,690.80
Asst. Librarian .....	7,197.75
Library Aide .....	2,415.50
Library Aide .....	<u>786.50</u>

Total Salaries .....	14,090.55
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Strafford Calendar .....	25.00
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Subscriptions .....	203.28
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## Supplies

Office Supplies .....	38.52
Book Processing supplies .....	670.80
Cleaning Supplies .....	<u>91.90</u>

Total Supplies .....	801.22
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Telephone .....	966.87
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Water system .....	<u>128.22</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES .....	29,287.00
Balance in check book .....	5,736.49
Petty Cash .....	<u>20.00</u>
TOTAL CASH ON HAND ON DECEMBER 31, 2000 ..	5,756.49

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol L. Wood, Treasurer

### TRUSTEES' 2000 HILL LIBRARY REPORT

Reflecting last year's new addition and new space, the Library has accomplished many things this year:

The new Conference Room is now available for community activities.

The Library's shelves have been rearranged to meet New Hampshire state requirements for physically challenged people.

A new parking lot has been created, as well as a new driveway, walkway, and landscaping.

After a survey of patrons' desires regarding Library hours, evening hours have been expanded to fit their needs.

An additional library aide has been hired.

The children's book collection has been expanded, and much more reference material has been added.

Plaques honoring contributors have been installed in the Library.

The Library is well on the way to being completely computerized.

Volunteers, staff, and patrons have worked together to help the Library to meet its 2000 goals. The Library Trustees thank all those who have contributed to the Library this year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol McCarty  
Carol Wood  
Pamela Marks  
Library Trustees

TRUSTEES OF HILL LIBRARY  
TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR 2000

INCOME

Beginning Cash on January 1, 2000	\$7,056.19
Book Fines	511.05
George Cate Fund	1000.00
Furniture Sales	185.00
Mobile Foundation, Inc.	2500.00
Other donations	<u>436.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME FOR 2000	4,632.05

EXPENDITURES

Air Conditioner (Part)	2,000.00
Bookcases	4,149.00
Books	845.45
Book Stool	50.11
Children's Books (George Cate Fund)	2,381.16
Curtains	1,160.00
Magazines	98.88
Miscellaneous Supplies/Furnishings	131.88
Pictures and Frames	34.71
Plaques	33.50
Refrigerator	<u>76.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR 2000	10,960.69

DECREASE IN CASH (6,328.64)

ENDING CASH ON DECEMBER 31, 2000 727.55

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol L. Wood

## THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS - 2000 ANNUAL REPORT

The trustees of trust funds are responsible for the trust funds and the capital reserve fund assigned to them. They must invest funds assigned to them in accordance with State and Town regulations, and they must be accountable for the funds at all times.

The accompanying statistical Report of the Trust Fund and Capital Reserve Funds of the Town of Strafford for year 2000, shows the status of the Trust Funds and Capital Reserve Funds and includes receipts and expenditures during the year.

The Strafford Trustees of Trust Funds are responsible for the perpetual care of graves and cemeteries where their cemetery trust funds have been established.

The low interest rate on investments, plus the small dollar amount of the older cemeteries makes it impossible to keep some of the grave sites and cemeteries in a desirable condition. We either need more trust money for certain graves and cemeteries or more volunteers.

The trustees want to thank those volunteers who gave of their time keeping some of our cemeteries in fine shape. We especially, would like to thank Bill Walker and John Hall for their work in cemeteries in the Bow Lake area.

This year Elizabeth Evans updated the Strafford Cemetery Book which is published by the Strafford Historical Society.

Respectfully submitted by:  
William L. Marks  
M. Justine Leighton,  
Roges S. Leighton, Sr.  
Trustees of Trust Funds



REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

FUNDS FOR CEMETERY AND PERPETUAL CARE - INVESTED IN CD'S AND CHECKING ACCOUNT

TOTAL 2000 INTEREST										\$1,940.17	
NAME OF TRUST	%	PRINCIPAL	BALANCE		INCOME	EXPENSES	BALANCE		GRAND TOTAL		
			BEG OF YEAR	END OF YEAR			DURING YEAR	END OF YEAR			
BABB, JOHN	0.72%	100.00	394.01	13.97	0.00	0.00	407.98	507.98			
BROWN, ALBERT (HALL)	0.36%	50.00	52.01	6.98	8.00	8.00	50.99	100.99			
BROWN, ALBERT (CRITC)	0.36%	50.00	65.95	6.98	8.00	8.00	64.93	114.93			
CASWELL-DEARBORN	2.88%	400.00	107.21	55.88	53.60	53.60	109.49	509.49			
CAVERLY, ABBIE	0.72%	100.00	531.62	-13.97	0.00	0.00	545.59	645.59			
CAVERLY, REV JOHN	4.80%	665.00	105.10	93.13	40.54	40.54	157.69	822.69			
CLARK, JOHN	0.72%	100.00	689.89	13.97	0.00	0.00	703.86	803.86			
COOPER, LILLIAN FOSS	1.44%	200.00	413.44	27.94	0.00	0.00	441.38	641.38			
FOSS, BENJAMIN	2.88%	400.00	194.89	55.88	0.00	0.00	250.77	650.77			
FOSS, HERBERT	1.44%	200.00	641.45	27.94	0.00	0.00	669.39	869.39			
FOSS, ROBERT	0.72%	100.00	324.34	13.97	0.00	0.00	338.31	438.31			
FOYE-PERKINS	2.88%	400.00	161.62	55.88	0.00	0.00	217.50	617.50			
FOYE (WINGATE FARM)	2.88%	400.00	84.50	55.88	0.00	0.00	140.38	540.38			
GARFIELD, ELIZA	1.08%	150.00	723.71	20.95	0.00	0.00	744.66	894.66			
HAM, LLEWELYN	1.44%	200.00	685.98	27.94	26.00	26.00	687.92	887.92			
HANSON #1	2.16%	300.00	0.00	41.91	0.00	0.00	41.91	341.91			
HARTWELL, ELIZABETH	0.72%	100.00	433.71	13.97	0.00	0.00	447.68	547.68			
HAWKINS, BETSEY	0.72%	100.00	15.58	13.97	15.83	15.83	13.72	113.72			
HAYES, PAUL	0.36%	50.00	79.81	6.98	0.00	0.00	86.79	136.79			
HOLMES, ELLA	0.72%	100.00	206.25	13.97	67.57	67.57	152.65	252.65			
HOSEA BERRY CEM.	4.33%	600.00	267.98	84.01	0.00	0.00	351.99	951.99			
HOWARD CEM	5.77%	800.00	376.93	111.95	29.46	29.46	459.42	1,259.42			
JENNESS, JOHN	1.44%	200.00	439.32	27.94	0.00	0.00	467.26	667.26			
JENNESS, SAMUEL	1.44%	200.00	678.89	27.94	0.00	0.00	706.83	906.83			
JENNESS, SAMUEL	1.44%	200.00	328.00	27.94	0.00	0.00	355.94	555.94			
JEWELL, JOHN W.	0.72%	100.00	403.28	13.97	0.00	0.00	417.25	517.25			
KERIVAN (BUZZELL CEM)	0.36%	50.00	7.92	6.98	0.00	0.00	14.90	64.90			
LEIGHTON, WINKLEY	1.80%	250.00	800.15	34.92	0.00	0.00	835.07	1,085.07			
LOUGEE (EDGERLY RD)	2.88%	400.00	134.22	55.88	0.00	0.00	190.10	590.10			
OTIS-DREW	7.21%	1,000.00	432.87	139.89	46.73	46.73	526.03	1,526.03			
PERKINS, NANCY	0.72%	100.00	496.27	13.97	0.00	0.00	510.24	610.24			
PERKINS, PAUL	1.26%	175.00	770.86	24.45	0.00	0.00	795.31	970.31			
SAXTON, HELEN FOSS	7.21%	1,000.00	954.62	139.89	58.49	58.49	1,036.02	2,036.02			
SCRUTTON	3.61%	500.00	78.95	70.04	28.84	28.84	120.15	620.15			
SEAVEY, ABBIE	0.72%	100.00	15.58	13.97	15.83	15.83	13.72	113.72			
SLOPER ROAD	0.36%	50.00	66.48	6.98	9.00	9.00	64.46	114.46			

SMITH, D.W.	0.72%	100.00	15.58	13.97	15.83	13.72	113.72
STANTON, FRED	1.44%	200.00	44.46	27.94	45.62	26.78	226.78
SWAIN, ANNIE & GRAY	1.44%	200.00	574.41	27.94	29.15	573.20	773.20
TOBIAS DREW CEM	7.21%	1,000.00	421.33	139.89	44.44	516.78	1,516.78
WAIN, MARY J.	2.88%	400.00	123.11	55.88	0.00	178.99	578.99
WALDRON, JOHN	0.72%	100.00	422.55	13.97	0.00	436.52	536.52
WALDRON, CASWELL	0.72%	100.00	321.67	13.97	0.00	335.64	435.64
WALKER, JAMES	0.72%	100.00	15.58	13.97	15.83	13.72	113.72
WATERHOUSE, ELLA	1.44%	200.00	28.99	27.94	31.45	25.48	225.48
WEBSTER, TUTTLE	2.70%	375.00	566.61	52.38	0.00	618.99	993.99
WELCH, BETSEY	1.44%	200.00	666.87	27.94	24.00	670.81	870.81
ROUNDING	0.00%	0.00	0.15	(0.03)	0.00	0.12	0.12
SUBTOTAL	92.70%	\$12,865.00	\$15,364.70	\$1,798.54	\$614.21	\$16,549.03	\$29,414.03
YOUNG, LAVINIA EDUC	7.30%	1,000.00	3,923.78	141.63	0.00	4,065.41	5,065.41
TOTAL	100.00%	\$13,865.00	\$19,288.48	\$1,940.17	\$614.21	\$20,614.44	\$34,479.44

NAME OF TRUST	%	PRINCIPAL	BALANCE BEG OF YEAR	INCOME DURING YEAR	EXPENSES DURING YEAR	BALANCE END OF YEAR	GRAND TOTAL END OF YEAR
THEODORE STORER	100.00%	11,500.00	26,060.02	1,881.72	0.00	27,941.74	39,441.74
TOTAL	100.00%	11,500.00	26,060.02	1,881.72	0.00	27,941.74	39,441.74

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS FOR:

RECYCLING	100.00%	55,418.53	21,073.04	3,847.39	24,920.43	0.00	55,418.53
SCHOOL I & B	100.00%	104,632.11	35,477.86	7,013.40	0.00	42,491.26	147,123.37
FIRE & RESCUE VEHICLES	100.00%	0.00	1,896.40	817.43	2,513.83	0.00	0.00
RECREATION LAND	100.00%	5,000.00	4,297.59	542.87	0.00	4,840.46	9,840.46
CONSERVATION	100.00%	1,000.00	512.62	21.49	0.00	534.11	1,534.11
POLICE VEHICLE	100.00%	0.00	145.57	432.36	577.93	0.00	0.00
STORAGE FACILITY	100.00%	27,355.00	3,820.12	1,887.16	0.00	5,707.28	33,062.28
CROWN POINT FIRE STATION	100.00%	5,000.00	261.96	319.44	0.00	581.40	5,581.40
FOREST FIRE FUND	100.00%	2,017.63	157.31	138.32	295.63	0.00	2,017.63
TOTAL		200,423.27	67,442.47	15,019.86	28,307.82	54,154.51	254,577.78

TOTAL ALL FUNDS		\$225,788.27	\$112,790.97	\$18,841.75	\$28,922.03	\$102,710.69	\$328,498.96
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CEMETERY & EDUCATION

DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	PRINCIPAL	BALANCE BEG OF YEAR	INCOME DURING YEAR	EXPENSE DURING YEAR	BALANCE END OF YEAR	GRAND TOTAL
PROFILE CD#01-47-010835	250.00	5,003.80	138.73	0.00	5,142.53	5,382.53 See Note 1
CITIZENS#33085-455-6	0.00	1,028.82	195.44	614.21	610.06	610.06 Checking
CITIZENS#3342-335870	1,000.00	547.87	80.06	0.00	627.93	1,627.93
MBIA NH-01-0487-0008	12,615.00	12,707.99	1,525.94	0.00	14,233.93	25,848.93 See Note 2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,865.00</b>	<b>19,288.48</b>	<b>1,940.17</b>	<b>614.21</b>	<b>20,614.44</b>	<b>34,479.44</b>

CHECKING INCOME	CHECKING DISBURSED
4.03	

INTEREST

FROM PROFILE CD	TRANSFER	PERPETUAL CARE	<b>TOTAL</b>
	191.41		191.41
			614.21
			<b>614.21</b>

STORER CONSERVATION FUND

DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	PRINCIPAL	BALANCE BEG OF YEAR	INCOME DURING YEAR	EXPENSE DURING YEAR	BALANCE END OF YEAR	GRAND TOTAL
MBIA NH01-0487-0011	11,500.00	22,628.38	1,832.96	0.00	24,461.34	35,961.34
CITIZENS#3342-282724	0.00	3,431.64	48.75	0.00	3,480.40	3,480.40 Savings
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,500.00</b>	<b>26,060.02</b>	<b>1,881.72</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>27,941.74</b>	<b>39,441.74</b>

CAPITAL RESERVES:

DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	PRINCIPAL	BALANCE BEG OF YEAR	INCOME DURING YEAR	EXPENSE DURING YEAR	BALANCE END OF YEAR	GRAND TOTAL
CITIZENS#3342-354520	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 RECYCLING See Note 4
CITIZENS#3350-916910	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 SCHOOL #4 See Note 5
CITIZENS#3342-409082	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 REC LAND #1 See Note 6
CITIZENS#3341-658615	1,000.00	512.62	21.48	0.00	534.11	1,534.11 STORAGE #1 See Note 12
CITIZENS#3342-314669	27,355.00	3,820.12	1,887.16	0.00	5,707.28	33,062.28 CONSRVTN (Savings)
MBIA NH-01-0487-0001	0.00	145.57	432.36	577.93	0.00	0.00 Police Vehicle See Note 7
MBIA NH-01-0487-0002	0.00	1,696.40	817.43	2,513.83	0.00	0.00 FIRE & RESCUE See Note 9
MBIA NH-01-0487-0003	5,000.00	261.96	319.44	0.00	581.40	5,581.40 CROWN PT ESTA
MBIA NH-01-0487-0004	2,017.63	157.31	138.32	295.63	0.00	2,017.63 FOREST FIRE FND See Note 10
MBIA NH-01-0487-0005	104,632.11	35,477.86	7,013.40	0.00	42,491.26	147,123.37 School I & B See Note 11
MBIA NH-01-0487-0007	5,000.00	4,297.59	542.87	0.00	4,840.46	9,840.46 Recreation
MBIA NH-01-0487-0009	55,418.53	21,073.04	3,847.39	24,920.43	0.00	55,418.53 Recycling See Notes 4 and 13
MBIA NH01-0487-0010	200,423.27	67,442.47	15,019.86	28,307.82	54,154.51	254,577.78
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25,788.27</b>	<b>\$112,790.97</b>	<b>\$18,841.76</b>	<b>\$28,922.03</b>	<b>\$102,710.69</b>	<b>\$328,498.96</b>

Note 1: Was PROFILE CD#44-6973. Renewed as 01-47-010835 for 30 months on 8/21/00 6.48 APY. \$191.41 Interest deposited into checking Citizen 330085-455-6

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD

Note 2: Added \$300 to principal. Two checks for \$100 each for Hanson #1, Grid 5A-3, and one check for \$100 for Hanson 5A-11  
 Note 3: Redeemed Citizen CD # 3342-378969 in the amount of \$34,854.93 and deposited it in a new MBIA account NH01-0487-0011 (Storer Fund). \$11,500.00 Principal, \$23354.93 as interest.  
 Note 4: Redeemed CD Citizens # 3342-354520. Deposited \$60,798.10 in principal and \$21,363.65 in interest into Recycling. NH01-0487-0010  
 Note 5: Redeemed CD Citizens # 3350-916910. Deposited \$25,000.00 in principal and 3935.74 in interest to School I&B NH-01-0487-0007  
 Note 6: Redeemed CD Citizens # 3342-409082. Deposited \$2,500.00 in principal and \$2,437.97 into Recreation #2, NH01-0487-0009  
 Note 7: \$4948.72 deposit to NH01-0487-0001. Storage Facility in transit for deposit as of 12/21/00  
 Note 8: Transferred \$12,000 principal + \$577.93 interest to the general fund on as directed by the fund agents.  
 Note9: Transferred \$48,380.03 principal + \$2513.83 interest to the general fund as directed by the fund agents.  
 Note10: Transferred \$82.37 principal + \$295.63 interest to the general fund as directed by the fund agents. \$2017.63 of principal remains.  
 Note 11: Deposited \$75,000.00 in principal + deposited 3935.74 interest.  
 Note 12: Redeemed CD Citizens # 3341-658615. Deposited \$5,000.00 in principal and \$1,122.40 in interest into Storage Facility, NH01-0487-0001  
 Note13: Transferred \$5379.57 principal + \$24,920.43 interest to the general fund as directed by the fund agents. \$55,418.53 of principal remains.



## BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT 2000

The Board of Adjustment has held seven public hearings for the consideration of applications requesting variances or special exceptions to the Zoning and Land Use Ordinances of the Town. The number of times the Board meets during a year is based on the number of applications received.

William G. Lord, Chairman

### Receipts 2000

Application Fees .....	\$1,367.00
Miscellaneous .....	<u>00.00</u>
Total .....	\$1,367.00

### Expenditures 2000

Postage .....	\$368.87
Foster's Daily Democrat (Public Notices) .....	448.21
Secretarial .....	<u>411.90</u>
Total .....	\$1,228.98

**ROCHESTER/RURAL DISTRICT VISITING NURSE SERVICE & HOSPICE  
TOWN REPORT 2000**

Rochester/Rural District Visiting Nurse Services & Hospice continues to serve your community as a private, independent, non-profit home health agency certified by Medicare and licensed by the state in home health & hospice. We provide skilled nursing care; physical, occupational and speech therapy; medical social workers; home care aides to meet personal care needs; and homemakers. We are supported by a dedicated group of volunteers providing companionship and respite to patients and families. Throughout the many changes this year, our focus has remained on what matters most: providing compassionate, cost-effective, quality care to our patients.

Our Board of Directors, including your Board Representative, Leslie Dupee, continues to assess the health care environment in Strafford to ensure that decisions we make are in the best interest of your community.

We remain committed to providing you with only the best in home care services. The merged Agency has provided us with many things including: stronger specialty staff who are more highly skilled in their specialties, increased availability in time of staffing absences and reduced health and dental insurance costs for our staff. We are in the process of building a new office located on Route 11/on the Rochester-Farmington town line. This will allow us additional reductions in expenses and a more central location in relation to all our communities.

Rochester/Rural District Visiting Nurse Services & Hospice remains committed to serving patients regardless of their financial circumstances. Your town contributions are essential to meeting the many home health and hospice needs in your community. Please know that you have a right to choose. Choose quality with a long-standing commitment to your community.

**Ask for Rochester/Rural District Visiting Nurse Services & Hospice by name.**

We are proud to be meeting your home health and hospice needs and look forward to working with you in the future.

**Type and number of visits:**

Skilled Nursing .....	465
Physical Therapy .....	142
Occupational Therapy .....	50
Speech Therapy .....	22
Medical Social Work .....	29
Home Care Aide .....	1,214
Homemaker .....	45

Not Home/Refused .....	20
Unduplicate Patients Served .....	44

% of Visits by Payor		% of Visits by Age	
Medicare	46%	2-12 Months	0.3%
Medicaid/HCBC	35%	1-19 years	0.1%
Commercial Insurance	7%	20-39 years	36%
Private/Self Pay	2%	40-64 years	29%
Hospice	10%	65-79 years	17%
		80-105 years	18%

Report submitted by,  
Linda Hotchkiss, RN,MHSA,  
Executive Director

### ANNUAL REPORT OF STRAFFORD FIRE & RESCUE

The members of Strafford Fire & Rescue would like to express our sincere appreciation for the support we have and hopefully will continue to receive from the townspeople of Strafford. We strive to do our best and your support is our pay. We want to expecially thank you for supporting the new fire truck which was badly needed. We received the truck on November 18th and a company representative trained us on its use on the 19th. It is an excellent truck and should serve the town well for many years.

The department has been quite busy this year with a total of 199 calls. A breakdown of the calls are as follows:

Fire .....	71
Service Calls .....	14
Medical Emergencies .....	97
Motor Vehicle Accidents .....	17

We started a fundraising campaign this year to replace our present fire boat. The boat desperately needs a new motor and we thought it best to get a new boat which would work better for us as far as moving ambulance patients from the islands to shore and for moving fire personnel and equipment to the islands when we have a fire there. Also if there was a boating accident we would have a better platform to work from. We are looking at a pontoon boat with 24' deck, wheelchair accessible gates, platform out front to mount a portable firepump, and a locking device inside the railing for our ambulance cot for when we have to move patients. We also would like it to have a 95 to 115 horsepower motor so we can get there fairly quickly. Anyone wishing to donate can do so by sending the donations to: Strafford Fire & Rescue, PO Box 25, Center Strafford, NH 03815.

Seven of our members took a State certified Firefighter Level 1 A&B course which started in December 1999 and ended in June 2000. It was Monday and Wednesday nights along with about 6 weekends. As you can see that was a big commitment on their part as they put in lots and lots of hours not only for the course but also responding to calls. We are very proud of them and want to say thank you for doing such an excellent job. We also want to thank their families for the understanding of the amount of time they were gone.

We are still desperately in need of EMT's during the daytime hours. If you are one or are willing to be trained as one we would like to hear from you. Call Chief Pierce at 269-7123 or drop us a note at the fire department post office box. It will take some commitment of time on your part but is very rewarding helping your neighbors. Our motto is "Neighbors Helping Neighbors".

A reminder to all resident of Strafford about burning permits.

1. The only time permits are NOT required is when the ground is COMPLETELY covered with snow.
2. Nothing over 5" in diameter is to be burned.
3. No burning between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM. The two exceptions to this are if the ground is COMPLETELY covered with snow or it is a STEADY rain and a permit is required.
4. Season permits can be obtained for outdoor fireplaces and burn barrels.
5. Any type of outdoor fire requires a permit.

Fire permits can be picked up at the following locations:

Forest Fire Warden Glenn Pierce	664-9773
Eric Gale	664-2164
John MacDougall	332-7809

Please remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors and be sure they are working properly. The majority of new ones are hard wired into your house electricity but they have batteries for time when the power goes off. Again PLEASE be sure they all are working. Too many lives have been lost due to non-working smoke detectors in the past year.

I want to thank all the volunteers very much for all their time they have donated to the Town. It is greatly appreciated. Without them there would not be a Fire & Rescue Department.

Loren Pierce, Chief



## MUNICIPAL AND SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE

At the 2000 Town Meeting, this committee received a mandate to continue as a Municipal Safety Building Committee.

We were charged with two tasks:

(1) To use the \$35,000 of appropriated funds for purchase or deposit on a suitable amount of land for present and future needs of the town. (It is to be noted that residents attending the 2000 Town Meeting did not want the town to only buy the 2 acre parcel the committee had recommended but to seek a larger parcel).

(2) The committee was to present the cost for design, bid, and construction of a municipal safety building at the 2001 Town Meeting.

After reviewing three parcels of land, at or near the center of town, the committee decided to stay with the original selected parcel (behind the proposed post office site) and have the town use the \$35,000 of appropriated funds to purchase the 2 acre parcel.

It is also the recommendation of this committee to purchase an adjacent 6 plus acre parcel for an agreed upon price of \$69,000. This second parcel would provide the town with road frontage on Scribner Road as well as the access from Route 126.

The total cost for the 8 plus acres of land would be \$104,000, or approximately \$13,000 an acre.

After reviewing the needs of the fire and rescue departments, the police department, and the town administration offices, the committee accepted free assistance from Tony Fallon, architect, to develop design sketches for the Municipal Safety Building. Based on the identified department needs, the designed structure would need to be 18,000 square feet. The cost of such a building, along with site preparation, plans and specs, and supervision of construction is *estimated* to be between one and a half and two million dollars.

The committee members wish to thank Tony Fallon of Barn Door Gap Road, for his time and effort donated to our town in developing the design sketches utilized by this committee.

Cal Schrodeder, Chairman (Blue Hills area)  
Glen Foss (Crown Point)  
Lester Huckins (Selectman)

Scott Young (Police Dept.)

Respectfully submitted,  
George Kitz (Ctr. Strafford)  
Mary Mooers (Bow Lake)  
Loren Pierce (Fire Dept.)

## ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Annual maintenance continued on town roads throughout Strafford for the year 2000, including plowing and sanding in winter months and grading of the dirt roads in the summer, as well as drainage work, roadside mowing, and patching.

Portions of the Second Crown Point Road and Webber Road were paved this fall. Paving of Spruce Pond Drive, Leonard Caverly Road and the Second Crown Point Road is scheduled for the spring of 2001.

Greg Messenger, *Road Agent*

### ROAD MAINTENANCE AND GENERAL HIGHWAY EXPENSES - 2000

R.W. Tasker & Son .....	\$19,040.00
Parker Mountain Corp. ....	629.00
Radford Messenger, Inc. ....	<u>140,128.50</u>
Sub Total .....	\$159,797.50

### GENERAL HIGHWAY EXPENSES

Supplies .....	\$ 36.90
Blasting .....	814.00
Equipment/Maintenance .....	4,426.77
Tree Removal .....	275.00
Drilling/Blasting .....	1,120.00
Gravel .....	8,054.99
Sand .....	5,315.34
Salt .....	12,487.43
Cold Patch .....	310.80
Paving Asphalt .....	38,982.34
Culverts .....	12,600.00
Street Signs/Posts .....	612.50
Sub Total .....	\$84,222.07
TOTAL EXPENDITURES .....	\$244,019.57

### PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS

87R4. WINTER PARKING - Pursuant to RSA 265:70, the following parking regulation will be established:

a. There will be no parking on all Town roads so as to impede snow removal. Any violations of the above will be subject to a fine of \$5.00 per violation and subject to towing, pursuant to RSA 265:69 and RSA 265:70.

87R5. SNOW OBSTRUCTION -- Pursuant to RSA 249:23, the following snow obstruction regulations will be established:

a. Any person who shall put or place or cause to be put or placed any snow or ice upon the surface of the traveled portion of any town maintained road for any purpose, except to provide a place necessary for crossing, recrossing, and traveling upon said roads by sleds, logging or farm equipment shall be guilty of a violation if a natural person or guilty of a misdemeanor if any other person. The provisions of this section shall not apply where snow or ice is pushed across the traveled surface of said road for the purpose of snow removal from land adjoining said roads.

Any violation of the above will be subjected to a fine of up to \$100.00, pursuant to RSA 249:23.

## **RECYCLING REPORT/STRAFFORD TRANSFER STATION**

With the steadily increasing number of new homes in Strafford, the use of the Recycling Center has increased again this year. We are working steadily to arrange evening hours to help meet the demand. PSNH is working on the lighting for the site for the evening hours.

We thank everyone for their patience and understanding as we shift from a land-fill facility to a transfer station facility, as required by environmental statutes and regulations. We realize that this has not been an easy transition, and that a trip to the transfer station can be a frustrating experience on those days that the containers are full or the compactors have broken down. We thank everyone for their patience, and ask that everyone continue to work together to make our transfer and recycling center a true community facility.

As many of you are aware, environmental testing at the "dump" site has begun, as we prepare for the future of the facility. We are delighted to report that the hydrogeologic testing completed so far shows no contamination of surrounding surface water or groundwater in the area around the old landfill and transfer station. Groundwater monitoring will continue for another two years.

Please remember that we cannot landfill and must operate only as a transfer station. And please remember that the facility is for residential use only. Waste generated from commercial enterprises must be handled separately. Please contact the Selectmen's Office if you are operating a business and need assistance with trash disposal. The transfer station will accept clean and clear wood that can be burned, garbage and trash that goes into the compactor, recyclables such as glass, plastic, tin, aluminum, cardboard, and general metal disposal, and tires and white metal. We have been working with Waste Management to help us manage our increased load

and the implementation of our new rules. Some of the changes for this past year include increasing the number of compactors, relocating other containers, and constructing cement pads under the compactors and bins.

We have hired CMA Engineers, Inc. to help us with the closing of the landfill and with the required hydrogeological investigations. Our consultant, Robert Grillo, has prepared a plan for the landfill closure which has been submitted to the state. The overall objective of this work will be to meet the necessary requirements of NHDES, and formulate a site management plan which appropriately minimizes landfill closure costs, and may allow for the transfer operations to remain at the site. Mr. Grillo will also be helping us to secure the necessary grants and other state funding available to minimize the effect on our local tax rate. Robert Grillo will be available at our Town Meeting to explain the closure process.

We ask for your support with our budget requests for this process, and we ask for your patience and cooperation with our facilities during this period of transition. Please remember that these improvements are of benefit to all of us, and will make for a better waste management system for the townspeople, while we help our environment. Your cooperation with the procedures at the Center is greatly appreciated.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Saturday .....	9 AM to 1 PM
Sunday .....	9 AM to 1 PM
Wednesday (June to October) .....	9 AM to 1 PM

REVENUES RECEIVED 2000

Stickers .....	\$ 438.00
Tires (Customer Fees) .....	383.00
Metal Disposal (Customer Fees) .....	1,040.80
Net Revenues from Recycling of Materials .....	1,455.67
TOTAL .....	<u>\$3,317.47</u>



## PLANNING BOARD REPORT 2000

The last year of the 20th century was a busy year for the Planning Board. Meeting agendas were full with a complete range of proposals: major and minor subdivisions, boundary adjustments, and non-residential site plan reviews. Fortunately for Strafford, there have been no proposals for larger subdivisions.

Our initial meeting in November 2000 for the Master Plan update was a great success. We hoped to get at least 25 participants, and we had close to 100! THANK YOU - THANK YOU - THANK YOU! The plan can be no better than the public participation. You have identified many issues and needs.

The Board is now working with the Strafford Regional Planning Commission to group your comments into general topics. We will then hope to get you back for more group discussion. This is the long but necessary process needed to produce a good master plan and to guide Strafford into the 21st century and the new millenium. We can't do it without you.

Public participation is welcomed at all Board meetings and remember, if you are thinking of any commerical activity on your property, you need to check with your friendly Planning Board.

Edgar W. Huckins, *Chairman*

### RECEIPTS 2000

Application Fees .....	\$3,235.00
Books (Town Zoning Ordinances and Regulations) .....	210.00
Miscellaneous .....	2.71
TOTAL .....	\$3,447.71

### EXPENDITURES 2000

Postage .....	\$ 645.62
Supplies .....	61.80
Secretarial .....	1,059.78
TOTAL .....	\$1,767.20

## BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

The frenetic pace of new construction seen in 1999 continued through the first eight months of this year. However permits issued decreased during the last quarter of the year. Strafford remains a desirable community and anticipated construction for 2001 is poised to start when spring weather allows. Thanks to all of you who've shown patience during the recent busy season. Permits are required for all projects and repairs. If you have questions regarding construction projects please do not hesitate to ask. Permit applications are available at the Town Office. Once again, thanks for the cooperation throughout the year.

Stephen Haynes Smith  
Building Inspector

MONTH	NEW HOMES	ADDITION REMODELING	POOL	GARAGE/SHED BARN	DOCK DECK	SEPTIC
January	3			1	1	2
February	1	3	1	1		
March	1	1	1	1		
April	5	7		3		2
May	8	4	1	3	6	1
June	4	2		5		1
July	6	9		2	3	
August	3	8		6		2
September		3		2		2
October		3		1		
November		1				1
December	2	5			1	1
Total	33 Houses	46	3	25	12	12

## REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

There are 2,200 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. The number of fires reported during the 2000 fire season was below average as referenced in the statistics below. Despite this, our network of fire towers and detection patrols were still quite busy with the fire towers being first to report over 135 fires. These fires were quickly and accurately reported to the local fire department for their prompt and effective suppression efforts. Wildland fires occurring in areas where homes are situated in the woodlands are a serious concern for both landowners and firefighters. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around them and making sure that houses are properly identified with street numbers. Please contact the Forest Protection Bureau to request a brochure to assist you in assessing fire safety around your home and woodlands.

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing **ALL** outside burning. Fire permits are required for any open burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow where the burning will be done. Violations of RSA 227:-L:17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and /or a year in

jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are eleven Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forests Protection Bureau. Forest Rangers have investigated numerous complaints regarding violations of the timber harvest and forest fire laws, and taken enforcement action to ensure compliance. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217, or for general information visit our website at [www.dred.state.nh.us](http://www.dred.state.nh.us).

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments. These factors are critical in controlling the size of wild-land fires and keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible. Due to permitting and fire safety concerns, please contact your local fire department **BEFORE** using portable outdoor fire places and vessels, including those constructed of clay, concrete or wire mesh.

Please contact your local fire department before doing ANY outside burning.

**REMEMBER ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!!!**

**2000 FIRE STATISTICS**

(All Fires Reported through November 10, 2000)

**TOTALS BY COUNTY**

	Numbers	Acres	CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED	
Hillsborough	118	40	Debris Burning	263
Rockingham	49	24	Miscellaneous*	151
Merrimack	92	16	Smoking	30
Belknap	54	13	Children	17
Cheshire	41	20	Campfire	16
Strafford	58	13	Arson/Suspicious	14
Carroll	46	10	Equipment Use	9
Grafton	16	7	Lightning	9
Sullivan	12	2	Railroad	7
Coos	30	4		
	Total Fires	Total Acres	*Miscellaneous (power lines, fireworks, structures, OHRV, Unknown)	
2000	516	149		
1999	1301	452		
1998	798	443		

**STRAFFORD RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT - 2000**

Over 90 youth braved this past summer's chilly swim season. Lessons for the younger children drew the greatest interest this year and should provide more interest in the older swim groups in the years to come. Salaries for the summer totaled \$8,440.50, which included coverage for gate attendants, one full-time water-safety instructor and a part-time lifeguard. Other expenses, such as general maintenance and the Red Cross swim program, totaled \$2,411.80. Income from Beach passes



and swim lessons was \$1,380.

We stayed within the budget for the summer of 2000 and request the budget remain the same. There will be updating of swim equipment for the 2001 season and we will be able to do so with the existing budget.

## **STRAFFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2000 ANNUAL REPORT**

The Strafford Conservation Commission has had a busy year. We held our first annual Get To Know Your Town Forest Day on Saturday, September 9th. A group of townspeople young and old gathered at the stone marker at the Town Forest on Route 126 and worked through four educational stations exploring wildlife habitat, wetlands and pond life, soils, and the history of the property. Families later enjoyed a scavenger hunt or explored the many trails leading from the area. We hope to expand the activities for this coming year, and look forward to seeing everyone there! We would like to thank Kevin Lacroix for his work on our wonderful new sign for the Town Forest, completed just in time for our family day. We also thank Don Black, Roger Leighton, and Jeff Schloss for their help with our educational stations.

Conservation Commission members have also been working with watershed protection and water quality issues. We thank Jeff Schloss who gave us a report on the lay lakes monitoring program, identifying some key problems such as sedimentation resulting from development activities in watershed areas, non-point source pollution, and impacts from the use of fertilizers on shoreline properties. The Commission is also actively working with the Isinglass River Protection Project, a community group of Strafford, Barrington, and Rochester residents who have come together to prepare a nomination for the Isinglass River for the New Hampshire Rivers Management and Protection Program. If successful, the nomination would mean that the communities along the river would work together with local landowners to preserve the Isinglass's high water quality, to maintain or improve recreational opportunities, and to preserve habitat for the water fowl, fish, amphibians, and mammals who call the river home.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind Strafford landowners about our Conservation Land Fund, available to assist local landowners who wish to protect some or all of their land for future generations. The fund is meant to act as "seed money" for local landowners who wish to put land into conservation easements or other preservation programs.

We offer our usual thanks to all of the Strafford people who help to maintain the



Town Forest and our trail systems, and who went the extra mile this year in preparation for our family day. First, we thank the members of the Strafford Cub Scouts and Boy Scout Troop 23. Second, thank you to George Kitz, who mows the upper field around the plaque at the Town Forest, and finally, our thanks to Brian Dahlgren and family, who assist greatly by mowing the lower field below the plaque and the parking area during the summer months. The Scouts and these two families make it possible for all of us to enjoy the Town Forest. Please remember that copies of the trail maps for the Town Forest/Weidman Lot, Edgerly Lot, and Storer Lot trails are available at the Town Office. Please remember to make use of our many Town properties as you plan recreation activities. If you are not sure how to locate the various properties, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the Commission or the Strafford Town Office.

The Commission also would like to continue to encourage students from Coe-Brown Academy to volunteer for conservation related projects for their Senior Community Service Project. All Coe-Brown students are required to undertake a community service project during their senior year. We are very happy to work with any of our local high school students - please feel free to get in touch with any of the members of the Commission.

We continue to review all of the applications submitted for work in wetlands areas, forwarding our recommendations to the NH Wetlands Bureau. Although the Wetlands Bureau has recently streamlined the process for applying for the construction of a dock, the Conservation Commission still needs to respond to each application. We continue to urge anyone planning a project involving work in wetlands, or on the shoreline of Bow Lake, to meet with us to discuss the project *in advance* of completing your applications.

In closing, we would again like to urge people to learn about and contribute to the work of the Bear Paw Regional Greenways, the volunteer effort to establish a network of voluntarily protected lands forming "greenway corridors" connecting Pawtuckaway to the Bear Brook area through Northwood, and extending up through the Blue Hills Foundation Conservation Lands to Blue Job Mountain. Strafford is obviously an important part of this region. The greenway corridors would benefit both wildlife and the human communities involved, offering recreation and educational opportunities while protecting watershed, wildlife habitat, and even important historic sites. The Strafford Conservation Commission fully supports the Bearpaw Regional Greenways and we would be glad to answer your questions about this important project.

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth Evans, Chairman  
Harmony Anderson, Jack Bronnenberg, JoAnn Brown,  
Cal Schroeder, Bruce Smith, Sarah M. Ward.

**STRAFFORD  
SCHOOL  
DISTRICTS  
REPORTS  
2000**

**OFFICERS OF THE STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
2000 - 2001**

**SCHOOL BOARD**

	Term Expires
Mr. Stephen Leighton, Chairman .....	2001
Mr. Mark Dolan, Vice Chair .....	2003
Mr. Bruce Patrick .....	2003
Mrs. Joanne Piper-Lang, Vice Chair .....	2001
Ms. Jane Vachon .....	2002

**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Harry C. Fensom, Jr., Ed.D.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR**

Judith A. McGann, M.Ed.

**PRINCIPAL**

Richard A. Jenisch, M.A.

**TREASURER**

Sandra Pierce

**CLERK**

Carrolle Popovich

**MODERATOR**

Kurt Wuelper

**AUDITOR**

Mason & Rich, P.A.

**SCHOOL WARRANT  
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford School in said district on the 7th day of March 2001, at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

2. To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Strafford School Board and the Strafford Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2001-2002	\$93,230
2002-2003	\$83,765

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of ninety three thousand two hundred thirty dollars (\$93,230) for the 2001-2002 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. The school board and budget committee recommend this appropriation.

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

3. Shall the Strafford School District, if Article #2 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article #2 cost items only?

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

4. To see if the school district will vote to purchase a parcel of land, described as Map 16, Lots 14 and 37 being 365 acres, more or less, located at the intersection of Route 202A and Johnsonboro Road in Strafford for a purchase price of \$500,000 payable as follows: \$25,000 unrefundable deposit paid upon execution of the agreement and placed in escrow, a nonrefundable payment of \$275,000 paid to the seller at the time of the delivery of the deed and an additional \$200,000 to be paid on July 8, 2002, plus interest at the rate of 6% per annum beginning to run on July 8, 2001 on the unpaid balance (approximately \$13,000) and on such further terms and conditions as the School Board shall determine are in the best interest of the School District. And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$275,000 for the first year's payments toward the purchase. The purchase and sale agreement contains an



“escape” clause.

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

5. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the purpose of purchasing and installing a generator at the school building which is designated as the emergency shelter for the Town of Strafford, and further to authorize the withdrawal of fifty thousand dollars(\$50,000.00) from the school district capital reserve fund created for that purpose.

(Majority vote required)

The School board recommends this appropriation.

6. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the school district capital reserve fund for the purpose of financing any and all capital improvements to school buildings as well as all or part of the cost of new construction for the school district in accord with the provisions of RSA Ch 35, with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance (surplus) available on July 1, 2001.

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

7. To see what sum of money the school district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, for capital construction, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the school district.

The School Board recommends this appropriation.

8. To choose agents and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

9. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Strafford this 7th day of February 2001.

R. Stephen Leighton, Chairman  
Joanne Piper-Lang, Vice Chairman  
Bruce Patrick  
Mark Dolan  
Jane Vachon  
School Board

**SCHOOL WARRANT  
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford Elementary School in said district on the 13th day of March 2001, at 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon until 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
2. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Given under our hands at said Strafford this 24th day of January 2001.

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

Mr. Stephen Leighton

Mr. Mark Dolan

Mr. Bruce Patrick

Mrs. Joanne Piper-Lang

Ms. Jane M. Vachon

Mr. Stephen Leighton

Mr. Mark Dolan

Mr. Bruce Patrick

Mrs. Joanne Piper-Lang

Ms. Jane M. Vachon

School Board

**REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER**  
**for the**  
**Fiscal Year July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000**  
**SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM**

Cash on Hand July 1, 1999 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)		5,405.75
Revenue from Federal Lunch Reimbursements .....	27,851.00	
Received from all other Sources .....	<u>75,438.22</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS .....		<u>103,289.22</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR .....		108,694.97
(balance - receipts)		
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERED PAID .....		<u>-102,755.45</u>
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 2000 .....		5,939.52
(Treasurer's Bank Balance)		

Sandra L. Pierce, *District Treasurer*

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS**

DATE	FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
July 1, 1999	State of N.H.	School Lunch Program	\$27,851.00
	Peerless Ins.	Reimb. for Loss Food	503.43
to	SAU #44	Food for Cur. Training	87.91
	Lunch Program	Lunch	65,169.24
June 30, 2000		Ice Cream	2,201.60
		Snack Machine	6,852.50
		Coffee	251.22
		Purchases	182.41
		Miscellaneous	145.84
	Citizen Bank	Interest	<u>44.07</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS			\$103,289.22

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**As of June 30, 2000**

**ASSETS**

Current Assets - Checking/Savings	
100 - CASH/CKBK .....	<u>5,939.52</u>
Total Checking/Savings .....	5,939.52
Accounts Receivable	
1200 Accounts Receivable .....	<u>4,712.00</u>
Total Accounts Receivable .....	4,712.00
Total Currents Assets .....	<u>10,651.52</u>
TOTAL ASSETS .....	<u>10,651.52</u>

**LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

Liabilities Current Liabilities Accounts Payable	
420 - Accounts Payable/OPEN/Other .....	1,544.63
Total Accounts Payable / TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES .....	<u>1,544.63</u>
Total Liabilities .....	1,544.23
EQUITY 1100 - Retained Earnings .....	4,672.52
Net Income .....	<u>4,434.37</u>
Total Equity .....	<u>9,106.89</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY .....	<b>10,651.52</b>

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE  
PROFIT AND LOSS**

**July 1999 through June 2000**

**Income**

1500 Earning on Investments MS25pg3		
1600 Lunch Program / Items Sold INC		
Adult Lunch .....	1,969.50	
Breakfast (PAID) .....	1,540.70	
Breakfast (REDUCED) .....	214.15	
Coffee .....	251.22	
Events .....	111.21	
Ice Cream .....	2,205.60	
Lunch Sales (PAID) .....	58,667.49	
Lunch Sales (REDUCED) .....	679.20	
Milk .....	2,063.70	
Purchases .....	71.20	
Snack Machine .....	<u>6,848.50</u>	
Total 1600 Lunch Program / Items Sold INC .....	74,622.47	
1990 Other LOCAL Revenue .....	503.43	
1500 Earning on Investments MS25pg3 other ...	<u>44.07</u>	
Total 1500 Earning on Investments MS25pg3 ....		75,169.97
3200 State Restr.Grant-In-Aid/MS25pg4 .....		
3260 CHILD NUTRITION .....	30,055.00	
Total 3200 State Restr.Grant-In-Aid/MS25pg4 ....		<u>30,055.00</u>
Total Income .....		105,224.97
<b>Expense</b>		
Payroll Expenses		
114 Food Service Director Salary .....	21,559.22	
114.2 Food Service Support Staff .....	<u>20,288.59</u>	
Total Payroll Expenses .....		41,847.81



Payroll Taxes		
230 FICA .....	<u>3,201.45</u>	
Total Payroll Taxes .....		3,201.45
Payroll?Employee benefits		
222 Retirement (403(b)) Co. Exp. ....	914.11	
Total Payroll/Employee Benefits .....		914.11
320.3 Workshops - Support Staff .....		268.00
440 Repairs & Maintenance .....		692.14
531 Telephone .....		516.19
580 Travel Expense .....		33.80
610 Supplies .....		915.85
620 Food/Milk/Purchases .....		
620.1 Ice Cream .....	2,793.30	
620.2 Snake Machine .....	4,187.35	
620.3 Coffee .....	588.61	
620 Food/Milk Purchases Other .....	<u>44,489.88</u>	
Total 620 Food/Milk Purchases .....		52,059.14
657 Propane Gas .....		332.43
810 Dues & Fees and SBA dues .....		<u>9.68</u>
Total Expense .....		100,790.60
Net Income .....		<b>4,434.37</b>

**REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER**  
**for the**  
**Fiscal year July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000**

Cash on Hand July 1, 1999 .....		302,475.94
(Treasurer's Bank Balance)		
Received from Selectmen		
Current Appropriation .....	3,495,795.95	
Revenue from State .....	1,800,754.21	
Revenue from Federal .....	.00	
Received from all other Sources .....	<u>123,934.62</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS .....		<u>5,420,484.78</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR .....		5,722,960.72
(balance-receipts)		
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERED PAID .....		<u>5,486,588.60</u>
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 2000 .....		236,372.12
(Treasurer's Bank Balance)		

Sandra L. Pierce, *District Treasurer*

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS**  
**JULY 1, 1999 to JUNE 30, 2000**

FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
State of N.H.	Adequacy Grant	1,710,895.00
	Building Aid	25,840.00
	Catastrophic Aid	29,465.65
	Medicaid Reimbursements	34,553.56
Town of Strafford	Town Appropriation	3,495,795.95
Citizen Bank	Interest	16,180.93
School Lunch Prog.	Wages	45,963.37
Merrimack School Dist.	Tuition	11,892.97
SAU #44	Preschool 98/99 Balance	23,696.22
	Account Payable 98/99 Balance	10,292.90
	Fed. Payroll-Paroll Depuct. Ins.	15.06
	Sp ed Grant reimb.	1,404.91
	Foreign Lang. Supp. Reimb.	592.07
	Federal Payroll Reimb.	278.58
	Staff Tipends	154.53
Micro Warehouse	Refund	1.01
Eastern	Removed Tanks & Unused Fuel	124.00
Waban Project Inc.	Summer Fees	485.00
Quill Corporation	Refund	13.01
Trace Ed. Service Inc.	Workshop Reimb.	697.00
NH School Adm. Assoc.	Workshop Reimb.	50.00
Strafford Friends of Rec.	Port-o-Potty Reimb.	242.00
American Gerenal		
Financial Group.	Annuity Refund	125.00
UNH	Workshop Refund	145.50
NH Municipal Bond Bank	Series Refund	1,315.98
Strafford School PTA	Office Supplies Reimb.	58.88
Aadvance Systems		
Measurement and		
Evaluation Inc.	Substitute Reimb.	64.59
NHPDIP	Interest	505.26
Miscellaneous	Health Ins. Reimbursements	5,988.42
	Dental Ins. Reimbursements	293.64
	Rent	2,537.54
	Old Books bought	18.50
	Items Reimb.	6.75
	Tuition Reimb.	287.00
	High Scool Transport. Reimb.	280.00
	Jury Duty	152.00
	Lost Books	45.00
	Filing Fees	7.00
	Phone Calls	20.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>\$5,420,484.78</b>

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DETAILED EXPENDITURES**  
**July 1, 1999 - June 30, 2000**

<b>1100</b>	<b>REGULAR EDUCATION</b>	
	Salaries	\$1,133,102.36
	Benefits	131,779.89
	Payroll Taxes	86,715.79
313	Criminal Records Check	884.00
321	Contracted Services - Music	32,581.18
440	Repairs & Maintenance	1,551.16
442	Contracted Services	4,186.04
561	Tuition - Other Public Schools	54,744.90
563	Tuition - Coe-Brown	1,632,300.00
610-2	Art Supplies	3,153.16
610-5	Language - Arts, Reading Supplies	1,485.27
610-6	Foreign Language Supplies	3,313.39
610-8	Health - P.E. Supplies	1,000.00
610-9	Project Adventure	1,847.81
610-11	Math Supplies	576.70
610-12	Music Supplies	907.21
610-12-1	Instrumental Music	1,197.47
610-13	Science Supplies	965.97
610-15	Social Studies Supplies	808.68
610-18-1	Consumable Supplies	10,415.09
610-18-2	General Supplies	2,871.35
610-18-3	A.V. Supplies	4,252.57
610-24	Testing Supplies	922.45
610-25	Computer Supplies	2,328.73
630-1	Textbooks	5,935.93
630-2	Workbooks	3,963.35
630-3	Supplemental Books	1,409.11
630-4	Reference Books	82.05
640	Periodicals	244.16
640-1	Reading Program Adoption	19,996.82
741.1	New Equipment	1,641.88
741.2	Computer Tech. Equipment	28,738.50
742	Replace. Equipment	209.62
751	New Furniture	4,556.19
752	Replacement Furniture	3,799.97
810	Dues & Fees	963.11
<b>TOTAL REG. ED. PROGRAMS</b>		<b>\$3,185,431.86</b>

<b>1200</b>	<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>	
	Salaries	\$274,061.17
	Benefits	53,998.84

	Payroll Taxes	20,413.13
310	Medicaid Admin. Fees	5,044.70
550	Printing	331.89
561	Tuition - Other Public Schools	55,100.00
563	Tuition - Coe-Brown	91,781.06
565	Tuition - Non-Public Schools	109,758.71
610-5	Language Arts	554.25
610-13	Science Supplies	484.80
610-18-2	General Supplies	364.93
610-18-3	A.V. / Printing Supplies	14.98
610-24	Testing Supplies	836.21
630-1	Textbooks	500.00
630-2	Workbooks	1,000.00
630-3	Supplemental Textbooks	428.65
630-4	Reference Books	94.16
640	Periodicals	34.39
741-1	New Equipment	454.12
<b>TOTAL SPEC. ED. PROGRAMS</b>		<b>\$615,255.99</b>
<b>1400</b>	<b>CO-CURRICULAR</b>	
	Salaries	\$ 12,493.66
	Payroll Taxes	1,299.87
300-1	Literacy Connection	6,490.00
390	Umps - Refs	1,650.00
500	Special Events	944.96
560	Kindergarten	100,494.04
610-8	Athletic Supplies	419.53
610-18	Co-curricula supplies	476.50
610-20	Enrichment supplies	750.69
810	Dues & Fees	465.00
<b>TOTAL CO-CURRICULAR</b>		<b>\$125,484.25</b>
<b>2110</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	
	Salary	\$ 500.00
	Payroll Taxes	38.25
<b>TOTAL ATTENDANCE</b>		<b>\$538.25</b>
<b>2120</b>	<b>GUIDANCE</b>	
	Salaries	\$ 41,215.80
	Benefits	4,745.16
	Payroll Taxes	2,953.14
330	Standardized Testing	4,882.41
610	Supplies	41.52
630	Books	198.66
<b>TOTAL GUIDANCE</b>		<b>\$ 54,036.69</b>



<b>2130</b>	<b>HEALTH SERVICES</b>	
	Salaries	\$ 26,242.00
	Benefits	3,677.90
	Payroll Taxes	2,007.42
400	Contracted Services	484.00
610	Supplies	1,013.55
630	Textbooks	108.17
640	Health Periodicals	64.00
741-1	New Equipment	256.49
	<b>TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES</b>	<b>\$ 33,853.53</b>

<b>2140</b>	<b>SPECIAL CONT. SERVICES</b>	
310-1	SLC Membership	\$ 4,169.00
310-2	Occupational Therapy	23,169.13
310-3	Physical Therapy	7,964.07
310-4	Pre-school Diag. Unit	5,698.55
	<b>TOTAL SPECIAL CONT. SERVICES</b>	<b>\$ 41,000.75</b>

<b>2150</b>	<b>SPEECH SERVICES</b>	
	Salaries	\$ 53,849.41
	Benefits	10,862.85
	Payroll Taxes	3,928.34
610	Supplies	104.95
610-24	Speech Testing	542.97
630	Speech Books	276.20
	<b>TOTAL SPEECH SERVICES</b>	<b>\$ 69,564.72</b>

<b>2210</b>	<b>IMPROV. OF INST.</b>	
112-1	Curriculum Development	\$ 5,127.57
230	FICA	55.84
270-1	Tuition Reimbursement	12,689.70
270-2	Tuition - Support Staff	895.00
320-1	In-Service Training	4,085.16
320-2	Staff Dev. Wkshps.	1,536.40
320-3	Workshops - Support Staff	2,487.00
320-4	Staff Development Stipend	730.00
640	Professional Periodical & Books	1,048.96
	<b>TOTAL IMPROV. OF INST.</b>	<b>\$ 28,655.63</b>

<b>2220</b>	<b>LIBRARY &amp; ED. MEDIA</b>	
	Salaries	\$ 41,173.74
	Benefits	7,874.74
	Payroll Taxes	3,025.96

400	Contracted Services	2,355.34
610-18-2	General Supplies	500.79
610-18-3	A.V. Supplies	2,526.76
610-25	Computer Supplies	14,212.56
630	Library Books	6,505.10
640	Periodicals	1,388.78
741-1	New Equipment	3,366.54
742	Replacement Equipment	1,130.39
<b>TOTAL LIBRARY &amp; ED. MEDIA</b>		<b>\$ 84,060.70</b>

<b>2310</b>	<b>SCHOOL BOARD</b>	
<b>230</b>	<b>FICA</b>	\$ 540.71
319.1	School Board Salaries	3,100.00
319-2	Moderator	200.00
319-3	Treasurer	2,400.00
319.4	Clerk	250.00
319-5	Secretary	1,317.50
330-3	Audit	2,709.00
390	Attorney & Negotiator	339.04
540	Advertising - Legal Notices	4,517.96
800	Other Expenses	502.62
810	Dues & Fees - SBA	2,724.41
<b>TOTAL SCHOOL BOARD</b>		<b>\$ 18,601.24</b>

<b>2320</b>	<b>S.A.U. #44</b>	
810	Expenses - SAU	\$152,743.63
<b>TOTAL S.A.U. #44</b>		<b>\$152,743.63</b>

<b>2410</b>	<b>ADMINISTRATION OFFICE</b>	
	Salaries	\$ 140,058.54
	Benefits	15,716.39
	Payroll Taxes	10,932.96
400	Contracted Services	3,500.00
440	Repairs & Maintenance	1,610.58
531	Telephone	3,939.73
532	Postage	1,599.51
550	Printing	3,264.41
580	Travel	227.57
610-18-2	Supplies & Forms	540.30
610-25	Comp. Soft. Supplies	64.98
741	New Equipment	3,707.60
810	Dues & Fees	1,222.00
890	Graduation Expenses	1,488.93
<b>TOTAL PRINCIPAL OFFICE EXPENSE</b>		<b>187,873.50</b>

<b>2520</b>	<b>BOOKKEEPER</b>	
	Salaries	\$ 22,297.60
	Benefits	2,088.59
	Payroll Taxes	1,782.36
440	Repairs	120.00
442	Contact Services	2,000.00
532	Postage	699.69
580	Travel	394.92
610	Supplies	513.13
610-25	Computer Supplies	46.40
	<b>TOTAL BOOKKEEPER EXP.</b>	<b>\$ 29,942.69</b>

<b>2600</b>	<b>OPERATION OF PLANT</b>	
	Salaries	\$ 93,086.34
	Benefits	23,395.49
	Payroll Taxes	6,595.23
410	Water Testing	535.00
421	Rubbish Removal	5,950.01
429	Laundry & Dry Cleaning	455.88
430-1	Fire Alarm Service	700.00
430-2	Clock & Bell Service	787.38
440-2	Rep. & Main. - Heating	9,228.52
440-3	Rep. & Main. - Equipment	1,243.32
440-4	Rep. & Main. - Furn. & Fix.	10.42
440-5	Rep. & Main. - Grounds	77,127.21
440-6	Rep. & Main. - Building	51,819.83
520	Insurance on Building	9,327.30
580	Travel	26.70
610-1	General Supplies	15,682.96
610-3	Lumber Supplies	787.63
610-4	Hardware Supplies	1,059.34
610-5	Electrical Supplies	920.91
610-6	Plumbing Supplies	274.53
652	Electricity	32,981.26
653	Fuel Oil	10,583.07
657	Propane Gas	5,035.56
741.1	New Equipment	2,464.39
742	Replacement Equipment	2,739.17
	<b>TOTAL OPERATION OF PLANT</b>	<b>\$ 352,817.45</b>

<b>2700</b>	<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>	
513.1	Elementary	\$171,900.00
513-3	Athletic	1,812.60
513-4	High School	10,800.00
513-5	Special Education	58,971.49

513-6	Field Trip	1,130.50
<b>TOTAL TRANSPORTATION</b>		<b>\$ 244,614.59</b>

<b>2900</b>	<b>INSURANCE AND COMPENSATION</b>	
211	Health Ins. Fee	\$ 187.50
212	Dental Ins. Fee	187.50
213	Life Ins. Admin. Fee	60.00
250	Unemployment Comp.	2,250.62
260	Worker's Compensation	3,919.48
<b>TOTAL INS., COMP.</b>		<b>\$ 6,605.10</b>

<b>5100</b>	<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>	
830	Payment of Principal	\$ 85,000.00
840	Payment of Interest	31,790.00
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>		<b>\$ 116,790.00</b>

**BUDGET SUMMARY:**

<b>1100</b>	<b>REGULAR EDUCATION</b>	<b>\$ 3,185,431.86</b>
<b>1200</b>	<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>	<b>615,255.99</b>
<b>1400</b>	<b>CO-CURRICULAR</b>	<b>125,484.25</b>
<b>2110</b>	<b>TRUANT OFFICER</b>	<b>538.25</b>
<b>2120</b>	<b>GUIDANCE</b>	<b>54,036.69</b>
<b>2130</b>	<b>HEALTH SERVICES</b>	<b>33,853.53</b>
<b>2140</b>	<b>SPEC. CONT. SERVICES</b>	<b>41,000.75</b>
<b>2150</b>	<b>SPEECH SERVICES</b>	<b>69,564.72</b>
<b>2210</b>	<b>IMPROVEMENT OF INST.</b>	<b>28,655.63</b>
<b>2220</b>	<b>LIBRARY &amp; ED. MEDIA</b>	<b>84,060.70</b>
<b>2310</b>	<b>SCHOOL BOARD</b>	<b>18,601.24</b>
<b>2320</b>	<b>S.A.U. #44</b>	<b>152,743.63</b>
<b>2410</b>	<b>PRINCIPAL</b>	<b>187,873.50</b>
<b>2510</b>	<b>BOOKKEEPER</b>	<b>29,942.69</b>
<b>2600</b>	<b>OPERATION OF PLANT</b>	<b>352,817.45</b>
<b>2700</b>	<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>	<b>244,614.59</b>
<b>2900</b>	<b>INS., COMP., RET.</b>	<b>6,605.10</b>
<b>5100</b>	<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>116,790.00</b>
<b>SUMMARY TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 5,347,870.57</b>

<b>3100</b>	<b>FOOD SERVICE</b>	
	Salaries	\$40,847.81
	Benefits	1,914.11
	Payroll Taxes	3,201.45
329	Education	268.00
440	Repairs to Equipment	692.14
531	Telephone	516.19
580	Transportation	33.80



610	Supplies	915.85
630	Food and Milk	52,059.14
657	Propane Gas	332.43
800	Other Expenses	9.68
<b>TOTAL FOOD SERVICE</b>		<b>\$100,790.60</b>

#### **SUMMARY OF SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPENSES:**

<b>FY 99-00 Operating Cost</b>	<b>\$5,347,870.57</b>
<b>School Lunch Program</b>	<b>100,790.60</b>
<b>Warrant Article Capital Reserve</b>	<b>25,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL FY 99/00 BUDGET</b>	<b>\$5,473,661.17</b>

<b>Emergency Expenditure - Facilities</b>	<b>\$46,522.94</b>
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#### **SCHOOL SALARIES** **(Included in the Detailed Expenditures Section)**

Janet Abbott	\$41,463.00
Irene Abels	26,679.50
Laura Adams	33,001.00
Sarah Ash	540.00
Daniel Baker	46,526.00
Charlotte M. Berry	570.00
Priscilla Bowlen	39,891.00
Georgianne Briggs	7,145.55
Patricia Burnell	5,680.16
Susan Camire	2,550.00
Timothy Cantin	240.00
Michelle Carter	3,060.00
Steve Colby	30,829.00
Julie Colligan	15,351.60
Ken Cook	18,676.80
Anne Cullen	16,633.04
Gwen Cullen	150.00
Kathryn Cunningham	120.00
Eileen Demers	150.00
Kathy Demers	42,993.00
Portia Demers	60.00
Audrey Dolan	31,580.00
Mark Dolan	600.00
Maureen Dolen	1,920.00
Cynthia Duffy	9,070.92
Judith Dupre	510.00
Jennifer Edgerly	38,387.00

## **SCHOOL SALARIES**

Robin Flockerzi	7,590.00
Donald Franklin	8,470.18
Ronald Frost	13,295.65
Allan K. Gahm	37,648.00
Eric J. Gale	24,201.59
Heather Gale	60.00
John C. Gale	1,690.23
Kathryn M. Gale	90.00
Amy E. Gelinás	3,304.36
Beatrice Goodwin	810.00
Donna Goscinski	31,220.00
Elaine Gosselin	30.00
Ann W. Graham	2,190.00
Therese Gregoire	31,580.00
Kristen S. Hagman	21,979.00
Bethany Hamilton	495.00
Linda J. R. Hartmann	37,038.00
Noel H. Hastings	13,605.10
Laura A. Hebert	11,423.55
Darla M. Higgins	39,891.00
Kelly Hood	4,284.00
Eileen Homer	120.00
Leo C. Howard	19,791.42
Josh A. Jenisch	1,515.00
Richard A. Jenisch	61,270.50
Susan B. Johnson	13,323.73
Richard J. Kaufman	25,864.20
Melissa Kerivan	8,897.53
Catherine Kitz	120.00
Robyn T. Krasko	39,330.00
Marlean L. Laflamme	11,063.35
Brian Lake	210.00
Nancy L. Lake	39,891.00
Joanne P. Lang	600.00
Jane Laurion	300.00
Carolyn Lefebvre	8,921.74
R. Stephen Leighton	600.00
Karen Libby	4,880.00
Julia Lightner	26,586.00
Carol A. Lord	19,464.00
Patricia M. Lucas	7,256.86
Jacqueline MacNevin	750.00
Donna Mailhot	3,840.00
Elizabeth Mason	39,387.00

## SCHOOL SALARIES

Heather Mason	840.00
Nancy Mason	40,456.00
Kelly McCarron	330.00
George McKenney	2,310.00
Colleen McMahon	11,432.22
Francis Morris	30,471.39
Lindsey Nickless	505.75
David Nix	39,891.00
Bruce Patrick	700.00
Christine Perreault	21,559.22
Sandra Pierce	5,820.29
Maryellen Plante	41,207.00
Carrolle Popovich	1,567.50
Kathryn Reagan	240.00
Marcia Richardson	60.00
Shannon Rodgers	210.00
Laurel Rodier	23,429.00
Diane St. Germain	44,637.00
Maureen Sawicki	38,387.00
Shani Scarponi	29,437.00
Sandra Schwab	2,610.00
Maria Sheppard	31,580.00
Jennifer Sienko	23,297.60
Sharon Silva	14,161.00
Jennifer Snow	37,788.00
Ewa Sroka	41,126.00
Sheri Stanley	24,659.00
Mary Lou Stano	40,891.00
Wayne Stuck	2,875.00
Susan Tanguay	42,463.00
Carrie Terry	4,140.07
Shonda Thibeault	8,659.75
Darlene Towle	10,004.56
Hazel Turmelle	7,076.63
Allen Unrein	34,611.00
Jane Vachon	600.00
Lynda Vogt	37,660.00
Nancy Vonwahlde	36,506.00
Kristine Vulner	3,229.20
Cindy Walfield	8,456.04
Valerie Wiess	24,937.00
Judith Whitcher	5,353.00
Rebecca Whitcher	720.00
Susan J. Williams	17,628.96

Susan M. Williams	31,885.00
Jennifer Wright	180.00
Bethanie Wuelper	720.00
Patricia A. Young	46,662.20

These figures include all stipend and insurance buy-out payments.

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND 1999/2000

Capital Reserve Fund Balance as of June 30, 2000	\$118,139.77
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STRAFFORD SCHOOL  
BALANCE SHEET  
As of June 30, 2000

<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
100-Cash/ckbk .....	<u>236,372.12</u>
Total Checking/Savings .....	236,372.12
Accounts Receivable	
150 - Accounts Receivable/OPEN/Other .....	<u>42,461.30</u>
Total Accounts Receivable .....	42,461.30
Total Current Assets .....	278,833.42
<b>TOTAL ASSETS .....</b>	<b>278,833.42</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
420 - Accounts Payable/OPEN/Other .....	<u>105,333.97</u>
Total Accounts Payable .....	105,333.97
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES .....</b>	<b>105,333.97</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES .....</b>	<b>105,333.97</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>	
3900 - Retained Earnings .....	268,511.69
Net Income .....	<u>-95,012.24</u>
Total Equity .....	<u>173,499.45</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY .....</b>	<b><u>278,833.42</u></b>



**STRAFFORD SCHOOL  
PROFIT AND LOSS  
July 1999 through June 2000**

**INCOME**

1000 - REV. from LOCAL SOURCES/MS25pg2		
1100 - TAXES revenue		
1121 - Current Appropriation/Revenue	<u>3,495,795.95</u>	
TOTAL 1100 - TAXES Revenue .....		3,495,795.95
1300 - TUITION Income		
1321 - RDS Pupils .....	<u>9,056.68</u>	
Total 1300 - TUITION Income .....		9,056.68
1500 - Interest Earning on Investments		
1910 - Rentals .....	2,386.50	
1990 - OTHER/MISC Local Revenue .....	7.00	
1500 - Interest Earning on Investments - other	<u>16,686.19</u>	
Total 1500 - Interest Earning on Investments		<u>19,079.69</u>
Total 1000 REV. from LOCAL SOURCES/MS25pg2		3,523,932.32
3100 - UNRESTRICTED Grants-In Aid		
3110 - Adequate Education Grant .....	1,710,895.00	
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TOTAL 3100 UNRESTRICTED Grants-In Aid		1,710,895.00
3200 - RESTRICTED Grants-in Aid STATE ..		
3210 - School BLDG Aid/restricted GIA ....	25,840.00	
3230 - Catastrophic Aid .....	<u>29,465.65</u>	
TOTAL 3200 - RESTRICTED Grants-In Aid STATE		55,305.65
4500 - Rstr. Grants From Fed thru St.		
4580 - Medicaid Distribution .....	32,932.31	
TOTAL 4500 - Restr. Grants From Fed thru St		32,932.31
5120 - Bond Premium .....		<u>1,315.98</u>
TOTAL INCOME .....		<u>5,324,381.26</u>

## EXPENSES

### PAYROLL EXPENSES

110	Gross Wages / Teacher Salaries .....	1,324,708.60
110.1	Principal/Athletic/SB/HCust Sal .....	93,962.09
110.2	Enrichment/Cust.Salaries .....	137,537.00
110.3	CoCurr/SBTreasurer Salaries .....	22,084.00
110.4	E.Curr/Sec/SB Clerk Salaries .....	17,228.04
110.5	Special Education Secretary .....	11,650.02
110.6	School Board Secretary .....	2,817.66
110.9	Ins. buy back .....	20,330.00
112	Nurse Salaries .....	33,133.56
114	Aides Wages/Tech.Tech+Sp.Ed .....	106,734.83
114.1	Dir. of Technology Salary .....	29,471.39
115	Lunch Room Monitor .....	4,644.27
120	Substitute Nurse/Sec./Cust./OT .....	900.00
120.2	SPED Extended Year .....	4,070.60
122	Substitutes & Ovtm Salaries .....	48,671.87
129	Summer School .....	0.00
290	Sick Day Reimbursement .....	6,337.50
300.1	Reading Program Salaries .....	6,490.00
500	Truant Officer .....	<u>500.00</u>
TOTAL PAYROLL EXPENSES .....		1,871,271.43

### PAYROLL/EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

211	Health Insurance Exp .....	107,134.32
211.1	Health Ins. (CERTIFIED) .....	16,926.88
211.1.1	Health Insurance (Principal) .....	6,456.85
211.2	Health Ins. (NON-Certified) .....	30,056.42
212	Dental Insurance Exps .....	13,201.62
212.1.1	Dental Ins. (Principal) .....	1,019.33
212.1.2	Dental Ins. (Assist. Principal) .....	312.69
213	Life Insurance Expenses .....	3,425.63
213.1	Life Ins. (CERTIFIED) .....	100.80
213.1.1	Life Ins. (Principal) .....	100.80
213.1.2	Life Ins. (Assist. Principal) .....	100.80
222	Retirement (403(b) Co,Exp. ....	6,167.05
222.1	Retirement (CERT.) .....	38,426.83
222.1.1	Retirement (Principal) .....	1,819.74
222.1.2	Retirement (Assist. Principal) .....	1,381.82
222.2	Retirement (NON-Cert) .....	7,613.26
230	FICA .....	<u>140,289.00</u>
TOTAL PAYROLL/EMPLOYEE BENEFITS .....		374,533.84

112.1	Curriculum Development .....	5,127.57
123	Tutors .....	896.69
250	Unemployment Comp. Fund .....	2,250.62
260	Worker's Compensation .....	3,919.48
270.1	Tuition REIMBURSEMENT .....	12,689.70
270.2	Tuition SUPPORT STAFF .....	895.00
310	Cont. Srv/SpEnvnt/Tstng/EdTV/Audt .....	3,316.25

310.1	SLC Memb./Sp. Cont. Serv/RUBBISH .....	4,169.00
310.1.2	Medicaid Admin. Fees .....	1,750.40
310.2	Staff Physicals/Contracted OT .....	23,169.13
310.3	Cont.Serv./Health/Septic Tank .....	7,964.07
310.4	Pre-SchDiag/SpCont/FIRE ALARMS .....	5,698.55
313	Criminal Records Check .....	884.00
320.1	In Service Training .....	4,085.16
320.2	Staff Development Workshops .....	1,536.40
320.3	Workshops - Support Staff .....	2,487.00
320.4	Staff Development STIPEND .....	730.00
321	Contracted Service - Music .....	32,581.18
330	Contracted Testing .....	4,882.41
330.3	Annual Audit .....	2,709.00
390	UMPs-REFs/Attorney&Negotiator .....	1,989.04
400	Contracted Services .....	6,339.34
410	Water Testing .....	535.00
421	Rubbish Removal .....	5,950.01
429	Laundry .....	455.88
430.1	Fire Alarm Service .....	700.00
430.2	Master Clock & Intrcom Service .....	787.38
440	Repairs & Maintenance .....	3,259.79
440.2	R&M = Heating .....	9,228.52
440.3	R&M = Equipment .....	1,243.32
440.4	R&M = Furn & Fixtures .....	10.42
440.5	R&M = Grounds .....	77,127.21
440.6	R&M = Building .....	98,342.77
442	Contracted Service .....	6,186.04
500.1	Special Events .....	944.96
513.1	Transportation/ELEMENTARY .....	171,900.00
513.3	Transportation/Athletic .....	1,812.60
513.4	Transportation/High School .....	10,800.00
513.5	Transportation/Spec.Education .....	58,971.49
513.6	Transportation/Field Trip .....	1,130.50
520	Insurance .....	9,327.30
531	Telephone .....	3,939.73
532	Postage .....	2,299.20
540	Advertising - Legal Notices .....	4,517.96
550	Printing .....	3,596.30
560	Kindergarten .....	100,494.04
561	TUITION - Other Public Schools .....	109,844.90
563	TUITION - Coe-Brown .....	1,724,081.06
565	TUITION - Non-Public Schools .....	109,758.71
580	Travel .....	649.19
610	Supplies .....	1,658.15
610.1	General Supplies/Plant O&M .....	15,697.96
610.11	Math Supplies .....	576.70
610.12	Music Supplies .....	907.21
610.121	Instrumental Music .....	1,197.47
610.13	Science Supplies .....	1,450.77
610.15	Social Studies Supplies .....	808.68

610.16	Computer Supplies .....	16,652.67
610.18	Co-Curricula Supplies .....	476.50
610.181	Consumable Supplies .....	10,415.09
610.182	General Supplies .....	4,277.37
610.183	AV Supplies/Printing Supplies .....	6,794.31
610.2	Art Supplies/Glass supp Op & Main .....	3,153.16
610.20	Enrichment Supplies .....	750.69
610.24	Testing Supplies .....	2,301.63
610.3	Lumber Supplies/Plant O&M .....	787.63
610.4	Hardware Supplies/Plant O&M .....	1,059.34
610.5	Lang.Art/Read/Electric Supplies .....	2,960.43
610.6	Foreign Lang./Plumbing Supplies .....	3,587.92
610.8	Health -P.E./ATHLETIC Supplies .....	1,419.53
610.9	Project Adventure .....	1,847.81
630	Books/Professional/Library .....	7,298.03
630.1	Textbooks .....	6,435.93
630.2	Workbooks .....	4,963.35
630.3	Supplemental Books .....	1,837.76
630.4	Reference Books .....	176.21
640	Periodicals .....	2,570.39
640.1	Reading Program .....	19,996.82
652	Electricity .....	32,981.26
653	Fuel Oil .....	10,583.07
657	Propane Gas .....	5,035.56
733.1	NEW Equipment .....	11,891.02
733.2	NEW Furniture .....	4,556.19
734	Computer Tech.Equipment .....	28,738.50
737.1	REPLACEMENT Equipment .....	2,948.79
737.2	Replacemnt Furniture .....	4,930.36
800	Expenses .....	502.62
810	Dues & Fees/SAUexp/SBAdues .....	183,118.15
830	Payment of PRINCIPAL .....	85,000.00
840	Payment of INTEREST .....	31,790.00
890	Graduation Expenses/other .....	<u>1,488.93</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE .....		5,419,393.50
NET INCOME .....		<b>-95,012.24</b>



## 2000 - 2001 SALARIES

EMPLOYEE	SALARY	POSITION
Richard Jenisch	\$63,108.62	Principal
Daniel Baker	46,891.78	Asst. Principal
Janet Abbott	42,563.00	Elem. Gr. 3
Laura Adams	34,321.00	Elem. Gr. 7
Priscilla Bowlen	40,991.00	Elem. Gr. 2
Susan Camire	24,024.00	Elem. Gr. 3
Steve Colby	30,076.00	Elem. Gr. 5
Larry Deater	26,610.00	Gr. 8 Social St./Math
Audrey Dolan	32,843.00	Elem. Gr. 4
Jennifer Edgerly	39,497.00	Elem. Gr. 4
Allan Gahm	37,480.00	Elem. Gr. 6
Donna Gocinski	31,429.00	Elem. Gr. 6
Kristen Hagman	22,859.00	Elem. Gr. 7
Darla Higgins	40,991.00	Elem. Gr. 4
Robyn Krasko	39,167.00	Physical Education
Kimberly Lachance	28,780.00	Music
Nancy Lake	40,991.00	Elem. Gr. 3
John Leone	26,610.00	Gr. 8 Science/Math
Elizabeth Mason	41,609.20	Kindergarten
Nancy Mason	41,556.00	Elem. Gr. 7
D. Randall Nix	40,991.00	Elem. Gr. 5
Mary Ellen Plante	39,497.00	Elem. Gr. 2
Nancy Porter	26,568.70	Kindergarten
Laurel Rodier	24,366.00	Elem. Gr. 7
Maureen Sawicki	39,497.00	Elem. Gr. 2
Jennifer Snow	37,480.00	Elem. Gr. 1
Ewa Sroka	42,771.00	Foreign Language
Mary Lou Stano	40,991.00	Elem. Gr. 5
Janice Stimmell	22,360.00	Elem. Gr. 1
Robert Stone	41,556.00	Gr. 8 Math/Lang. Arts
Susan Tanguay	42,563.00	Elem. Gr. 7
Allen Unrein	34,321.00	Art
Nancy vonWahlde	35,866.00	Elem. Gr. 1
Valerie Wiess	25,586.00	Elem. Gr. 6
Patricia Young	46,453.00	Reading Specialist
Julia Lightner	26,610.00	Technology
Therese Gregoire	32,843.00	Special Ed. Tchr.
Linda Hartmann	37,480.00	Special Ed. Tchr.
Sheri Stanley	24,605.00	Special Ed. Tchr.
Linda Vogt	39,167.00	Special Ed. Tchr.
Susan Williams	32,843.00	Special Ed. Tchr.
Richard Kaufman	26,524.20	Guidance (3.5 time)
Nancy Mason	41,556.00	Guidance (full-time)
Kathryn Cunningham	27,541.00	Nurse
Susan Williams	32,320.93	Media-Gen.
Kathy Demers	42,563.00	Sp. Lang. Ther.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT 2000**

### **SAU #44 serves Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford**

In previous reports as Superintendent of SAU #44, I have stated my abiding conviction that a quality public education is the most important investment we can make in our youth and in our future and I have shared my rather basic view of quality schools as those in which our students are treated with dignity and respect, and are prepared for future success through mastery of a well taught and appropriately designed curriculum producing young men and women who are able to acquire, use and communicate information.

Each school District has placed, and will continue to place, major emphasis on these broad areas. Much work has already been completed on developing curricula which are sequential, contain well articulated outcomes, and address the requirements of the New Hampshire Frameworks as a minimum.

As each curriculum is developed it will include numerous benchmark assessments allowing for continuous monitoring of student progress and a consistent end-of-year grade level assessment to determine an overall level of mastery.

We are also in the process of identifying a comprehensive program of staff development to respond to specific instructional priorities and needs as identified by our teachers and by the examination of available data. These plans will be unique to each building and will be incorporated into the revised SAU plan for professional development and recertification.

For a variety of reasons, efforts toward curriculum and staff development have been specific to each building. We are now seeking to move toward the greater impact and economy of multi-district initiatives where possible. Currently under consideration is summer staff development, decision-making skills workshops, and curriculum projects and a Technology Fair next Fall.

Our part-time SAU Grant Writer is ambitiously seeking supplemental resources to help support these efforts, as well as initiatives in affective education, wellness and environmental education. We received a \$10,000.00 grant to support summer work on the Professional Development Plan during last summer and hope to fund this initiative again this year. This not only provides financial support, but also allows work to be done without taking teachers out of the classroom.

A further effort to maximize efficiency through consolidation is the new position of SAU Assistant Special Education Coordinator to maintain regulatory compliance and facilitate the continued improvement of services to children with special needs. This position combines monies previously spent by each district in efforts to provide this service individually.

In addition, the SAU has worked with component districts in the areas of legal advice, negotiations, construction projects, budget development and management, policy development, cooperative school district planning committees, personnel searches, surveys, provision of shared staff and contracted services and any of a number of specialized issues that have arisen.

I am confident that I speak for my colleagues at SAU #44 as well as myself when I say we have had a busy, interesting and fulfilling year working with each of our districts in servicing both the ongoing management chores and in developing goals and priorities in pursuit of educational excellence.

In conclusion, I want to again this year express my sincere appreciation to the members of the Joint SAU Board for their support and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry C. Fensom, Jr., Ed.D., Superintendent



**Strafford School District  
Principal's Report  
2000 - 2001**

I report to you this year from a school that has undergone many recent changes. Over the summer months, two primary classrooms were converted into a kindergarten suite supported in part by State of N.H. Kindergarten Aid. Two modular units were constructed on site containing four classrooms for our expanded sixth grade. A new parking facility was constructed as well as a new entrance to the school for private vehicles. In addition, a facilities manager, guidance counselor, school nurse, special education secretary, office secretary, Director of Technology, Reading Recovery Teacher, first grade teacher, third grade teacher, two kindergarten teachers, a sixth grade teacher, and three eighth grade teachers were hired. Needless to say, it was a busy few months for our school. I would like to thank our community, our school board, our Superintendent, our business administrator, our staff, and parents for supporting these initiatives. I would especially like to thank our facilities manager and custodial staff who worked tirelessly throughout the summer months to complete all projects prior to the start of school.

I am happy to report that the changes at our school have been positive ones and have strengthened our program and our staff. As I write this report, we are serving the needs of 532 students K-8. While this represents a significant increase over last year's enrollment, it is a smaller population than originally projected (550).

Our school continues to focus on developing and aligning curriculum with N.H. and Federal Standards. There is, unfortunately, no "magic formula" that promises academic success for all student. Comprehensive reform focuses on reorganizing and revitalizing the entire school. While we have adopted no single reform model for our school, our goal shares the common vision of all models and that goal is setting high standards for student behavior and performance. Setting and maintaining high standards can only be successful if supported both within and outside the school. It requires a commitment on the part of parents to work closely with students in the home environment on homework; checking the accuracy and content of required school-work; insisting on accountability for school-work and behavior; and maintaining close communication with teachers. It is also important to provide specific homework time and quiet space to complete it, provide access to print, electronic, and library resources, and encourage regular independent reading of both fiction and non-fiction print materials. If parents or teachers accept less than what the child is capable of, the standard attained will be diminished.

N.H. State Test Scores showed gains for Strafford in language arts and math. In social studies and science, scores were lower indicating the need for greater emphasis in these two core subject areas. CAT scores (a nationally normed achievement test) administered at the second, fourth, fifth, seventh, and eighth grade levels were encouraging. Students at all grade levels scored at or well above the 50th percentile



in all areas with the exception of one area of fourth grade math. Areas in need of improvement and further analysis were identified as computation at the fourth and seventh grade level. Curriculum revisions in the core areas of science and social studies will be complete this year. Significant funds have been put in place to purchase and update materials in social studies this school year and in science next year. Our efforts to align curriculum and set higher standards for student achievement and classroom instruction are ongoing. Staff training, specific to core curriculum needs, has been increased on site and now includes a five day summer training institute.

Forging home school links plays a major role in the success of any school reform process. However, the fact that parents and families in general, are busier than ever makes it increasingly difficult to expand the communications network. Many strategies are currently in place but more are necessary. Dialog regarding school effectiveness must be maintained at a high level if we are to achieve our goals for student achievement. Your suggestions in this area are welcome and your participation in the process encouraged.

For the first time this year, the N.H. Department of Education has published "Highlights" for all N.H. School Districts including Strafford. This resource provides a brief summary of information on the district including test scores, population demographics, enrollment figures, and financial information. You can access this site on the internet at the State of N.H. Web address ([www.ed.state.nh.us](http://www.ed.state.nh.us).)

This is my twelfth year in Strafford as principal and I am grateful to be serving this community. I take great pride in our school and thoroughly enjoy my contact with students, parents, and staff. The challenges before us are significant and cannot be met by the school alone. It will take a commitment from our entire community. To quote the Book of Psalms, "Behold, how good and pleasant it is for people to dwell together in unity."

Richard A. Jenisch  
Principal

### **STRAFFORD SCHOOL CLASS SIZE REDUCTION PROGRAM**

For the 2000-2001 school year the Strafford School District received \$15,486.74 from the US Department of Education for the purpose of reducing class size for students enrolled in first grade. The money has allowed the school to hire a half-time reading teacher to work with first grade students. Having an additional teacher, who will work closely with each of our first grade teachers, the Title I program, and our Reading Specialist, enables the formation of smaller student groups during reading instruction. We are enthused about the revised reading format for first grade and the additional time provided.

Respectfully submitted,  
Richard Jenisch



Essential Requirements and Assessment Program

# MATHEMATICS RESULTS

SCHOOL: SHAWFORD ELEMENTARY

DISTRICT: SHAWFORD

GRADE: THIRD OF GRADE THREE

DATE: MAY 2000

## Proficiency Levels

**Advanced:** Students at this level are able to: make estimations, use models to demonstrate mathematical concepts, draw conclusions from information presented in charts and graphs, identify, classify, and compare geometric objects, measure accurately, construct and use charts and graphs, and recognize, describe, extend, and create a variety of patterns. They can accurately add, subtract, multiply whole numbers to the same extent as proficient students. They have an understanding of fractions and decimals and can add and subtract fractions to the same extent as proficient students. They are able to solve problems and communicate their answers and problem-solving strategies to study and everyday situations.

**Proficient:** Students at this level are able to demonstrate an understanding of place value as well as the relationship between number lines, and decimals, read charts and graphs, make measurements, and recognize and extend patterns. They can, with reasonable accuracy, add 3 digit whole numbers, subtract any 2 digit numbers, and multiply whole numbers up to 5. They are able to estimate and compute solutions to problems and communicate their understanding of mathematics.

**Basic:** Students at this level are able to demonstrate a reasonable understanding of place value, fractional parts, geometry, and measurement. They can add and extend simple patterns and read and create charts and graphs. They are able to multiply whole numbers up to 10 and subtract 1 digit whole numbers with ease. When asked to solve a problem, they are able to identify the problem, recognize the given information, and identify the problem. They demonstrate some skill in the application of mathematics to problem solving situations and have difficulty communicating their solutions.

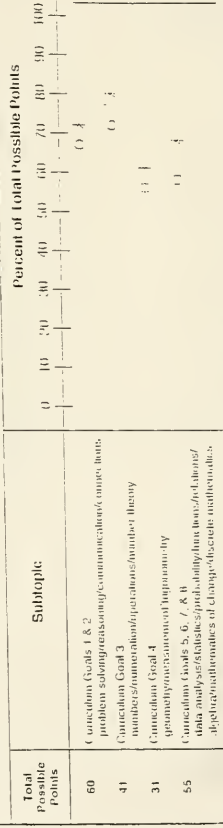
**Below:** Students at this level are able to add and subtract 1- and 2 digit whole numbers without regrouping (borrowing and carrying). However, they frequently make errors in these computations. They can read whole number multiplication facts up to 5. Although they may have some knowledge of place value, fractions, geometry, and measurement, their understanding of these areas is extremely limited. They are unable to demonstrate the application of mathematical skills to problem solving situations.

## Students Not Included in the Report

## Students at Each Proficiency Level

	School		District		State	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
1997/98	7	10	7	10	10	10
1998/99	8	15	8	15	9	9
1999/00	6	11	6	11	9	9
Cumulative	7	12	7	12	9	9
Average	32	46	32	46	29	29
1997/98	15	27	15	27	29	29
1998/99	21	43	24	43	31	31
1999/00	24	43	24	43	39	39
Cumulative	24	39	24	39	30	30
Average	25	36	25	36	36	36
1997/98	21	38	21	38	38	38
1998/99	24	43	24	43	36	36
1999/00	23	39	23	39	37	37
Cumulative	23	39	23	39	37	37
Average	6	9	6	9	23	23
1997/98	11	20	11	20	23	23
1998/99	2	4	2	4	22	22
1999/00	6	11	6	11	23	23
Cumulative	6	11	6	11	23	23
Average	0	0	0	0	2	2
1997/98	0	0	0	0	2	2
1998/99	0	0	0	0	2	2
1999/00	0	0	0	0	2	2
Cumulative	0	0	0	0	2	2
Average	0	0	0	0	2	2

## Content Diagnostic Display



## Mean-Scaled Score Summary

School	District	State
1997/1998	260	260
1998/1999	256	256
1999/2000	262	262
Cumulative Average	259	259



English Language Arts  
Assessment Program

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS RESULTS

School: SHILOH ELEMENTARY  
District: SHILOH  
Grade: EHD OF GRADE THREE  
Date: MAY 2000

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## Proficiency Levels

**Advanced:** Students at this level demonstrate a thorough comprehension of the mechanics they read, hear, and view. They are able to identify main and subordinate ideas, supporting details, and facts in literary and informational texts. They understand the author's purpose, and make connections and predictions to increase their understanding. They can draw conclusions and make cultural judgments. Their responses are detailed and reflect careful thought. When writing, they communicate clearly and effectively. They can organize ideas, develop a topic, and supporting detail, and may both sentence structure and vocabulary. They make few, if any, mechanical errors.

**Proficient:** Students at this level demonstrate an overall understanding of the mechanics they read, hear, and view. They are able to identify main ideas and draw conclusions from literary, narrative, factual, informational, and poetic texts. They recognize how thought and are supported with some detail. When writing, they communicate competently and are able to independently develop and support their ideas. Although they demonstrate a firm grounding in the mechanics of written expression, they may make some errors in spelling and grammar. However, these do not interfere with a reader's ability to understand the text.

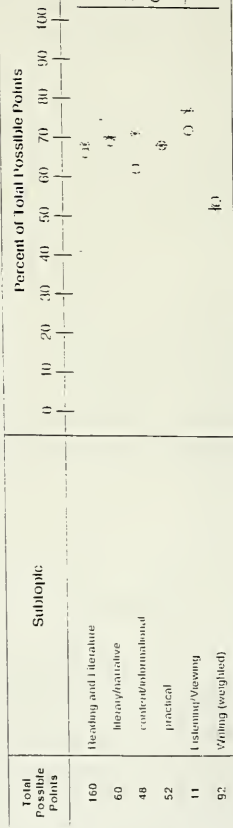
**Basic:** Students at this level are able to determine the literal meaning of the mechanics they read, hear, and view. They can identify clearly stated main ideas and make direct comparisons in literary, narrative, factual, informational, and poetic texts. Their responses are sometimes incomplete and are supported with few details. When writing, they communicate at a reasonable level. Although they employ both simple and more complex sentences, overall their work shows elementary organization, development, and use of detail. While they demonstrate a fundamental control of mechanics, they may make errors in spelling and grammar.

**Produce:** Students at this level are at the beginning of their literacy development. They are unable to identify main ideas from what they read, hear, and view. Although they may be able to locate major details, they are often unable to identify clearly stated main ideas in literary, narrative, factual, informational, and poetic texts. When writing, they have difficulty communicating. While it may be related to this point they are trying to make, their written work is minimal and shows little organization, development, or use of detail. Errors in capitalization, punctuation, spelling, and grammar may interfere with a reader's ability to understand the text.

**Students Not Included in the Report**

Students at Each Proficiency Level									
	School		District		State				
	n	%	n	%	%				
1997/ 98	7	10	7	10	6				
1998/ 99	4	7	4	7	0				
1999/ 00	5	9	5	9	9				
Cumulative Average	5	9	5	9	8				
1997/ 98	15	21	15	21	26				
1998/ 99	17	31	17	31	31				
1999/ 00	16	29	16	29	29				
Cumulative Average	16	27	16	27	29				
1997/ 98	30	43	30	43	37				
1998/ 99	19	35	19	35	36				
1999/ 00	22	39	22	39	37				
Cumulative Average	24	39	24	39	37				
1997/ 98	17	24	17	24	26				
1998/ 99	15	27	15	27	22				
1999/ 00	12	21	12	21	22				
Cumulative Average	15	24	15	24	23				
1997/ 98	1	1	1	1	4				
1998/ 99	0	0	0	0	3				
1999/ 00	1	2	1	2	3				
Cumulative Average	1	1	1	1	3				

## Content Diagnostic Display



Mean-Scaled Score Summary				
	School	District	State	
1997/1998	252	252	252	252
1998/1999	251	251	251	251
1999/2000	256	256	256	251
Cumulative Average	254	254	254	253



Excellent Achievement and  
Assessment Program

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS *RESULTS*

School: STAFFORD ELEMENTARY  
District: STAFFORD  
Grade: ELD OF-GRADE SIX  
Date: MAY 2000

## Proficiency Levels

**Advanced:** Students at this level demonstrate a thorough understanding of literary, narrative, factual, informational, and practical works. They extract main and subordinate ideas, supporting details, and information from materials they read, hear, and view. They draw conclusions, make critical judgments, and develop meaningful connections between and among ideas and concepts. They recognize and support their inferences and interpretations. Their writing is clear, effective, and logical. They organize ideas, develop a topic, and supporting details, and vary both sentence structure and vocabulary. They make few, if any, mechanical errors.

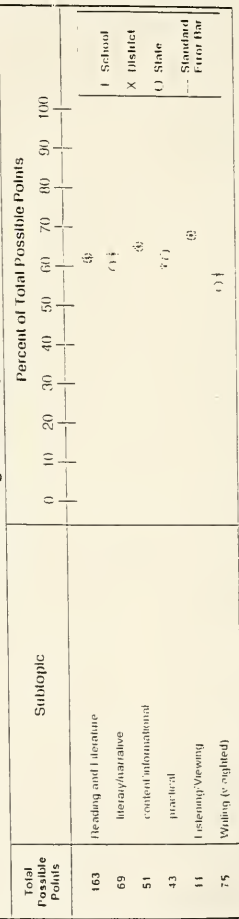
**Proficient:** Students at this level demonstrate an overall understanding of literary, narrative, factual, informational, and practical works. They extract main ideas, analyze text, evaluate and organize information, draw conclusions, and make inferences and interpretations. They critically evaluate materials they read, hear, and view. They effectively organize, develop, and support ideas so that a reader can easily understand the intent of their writing. They demonstrate a firm grounding in the mechanics of written expression; however, they may still make some errors.

**Basic:** Students at this level demonstrate a reasonable understanding of literary, narrative, factual, informational, and practical works. They recognize main and subordinate supporting details. They apply information from materials they read, hear, and view and use it to make conclusions. Their responses often include appropriate examples. They supply adjectives, organization, development, and support of ideas to satisfactorily communicate the intent of their writing. While they demonstrate a fundamental control of the mechanics of written expression, they may make errors in spelling, capitalization, grammar, author/publisher.

**Novice:** Students at this level demonstrate some understanding of literary, narrative, factual, informational, and practical works. They recognize clearly stated topics and details in materials they read, hear, and view. For the most part, their responses to questions are literal. Their writing shows rudimentary organization, development, and use of focal. Errors in capitalization, punctuation, spelling, author/grammar may interfere with a reader's ability to understand the text.

## Students Not Included in this Report

## Content Diagnostic Display



Students at Each Proficiency Level				
	School		District	
	%	n	%	n
1997/98	4	7	4	7
1998/99	4	6	4	6
1999/00	2	3	2	3
Average	3	5	3	5
1997/98	16	30	18	30
1998/99	20	38	20	39
1999/00	13	23	15	25
Average	16	28	18	28
1997/98	20	33	20	33
1998/99	33	48	33	48
1999/00	27	45	27	45
Average	27	42	27	42
1997/98	17	28	17	28
1998/99	11	16	11	16
1999/00	16	27	16	27
Average	15	24	15	24
1997/98	1	2	1	2
1998/99	1	1	1	1
1999/00	0	0	0	0
Average	1	1	1	1

Mean-Scaled Score Summary				
	School		District	
1997/1998	252	252	252	270
1998/1999	253	253	253	248
1999/2000	250	250	250	249
Cumulative Average	252	252	252	249





Elementary Department and Assessment Program

# MATHEMATICS RESULTS

School: STRATFORD ELEMENTARY  
District: STRATFORD  
Grade: END-OF-GRADE SIX  
Date: MAY 2000

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## Proficiency Levels

**Advanced:** Students at this level demonstrate a thorough understanding of mathematical concepts and skills. They are able to use both physical and conceptual models, make connections between and among concepts, and use estimation to monitor the reasonableness of their answers. They mathematically reasoning and problem solving are systematic, direct, and thorough. They employ numbers, graphs, diagrams, examples, and generalizations to explain their conclusions and problem solving strategies clearly and concisely.

**Proficient:** Students at this level demonstrate an overall understanding of mathematical concepts and skills. They make few, if any, errors in computation. They use tables and graphs to organize, present, and interpret data. They employ appropriate strategies to solve a wide range of problems. They clearly communicate their solutions and problem solving strategies.

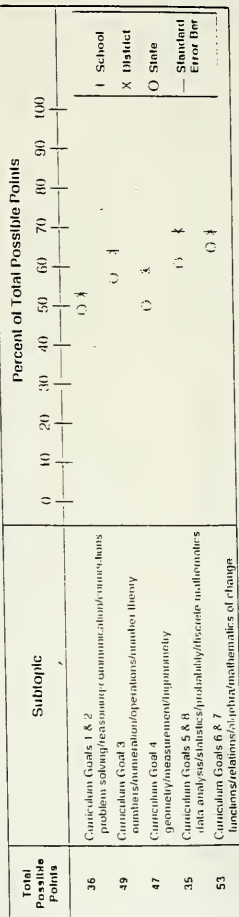
**Basic:** Students at this level demonstrate a reasonable understanding of fractions, geometry, measurement, and probability and statistics. They accurately perform computations with whole numbers and decimals. They can read and construct graphs. They apply their mathematical knowledge and skills in addressing everyday situations and solving straightforward problems. They adequately communicate their solutions and problem solving strategies.

**Novice:** Students at this level demonstrate some understanding of fractions, decimals, geometry, measurement, and probability and statistics. They add, subtract, multiply, and divide whole numbers with a fair degree of accuracy. They can obtain information from graphs. They display a limited ability to use their mathematical knowledge and skills to solve problems. Their explanations of their answers are brief and incomplete.

## Students Not Included in the Report

Students at Each Proficiency Level					
School		District		State	
N	%	N	%	N	%
1997-98	5	8	5	8	5
1998-99	6	9	6	9	4
1999-00	5	8	5	8	4
Cumulative	5	8	5	8	4
Average					
1997-98	19	32	19	32	21
1998-99	16	23	16	23	21
1999-00	18	30	18	30	23
Cumulative	18	28	18	28	22
Average					
1997-98	23	38	23	38	41
1998-99	27	39	27	39	42
1999-00	23	38	23	38	39
Cumulative	24	38	24	38	41
Average					
1997-98	12	20	12	20	31
1998-99	19	28	19	28	30
1999-00	14	23	14	23	32
Cumulative	15	24	15	24	31
Average					
1997-98	1	2	1	2	2
1998-99	1	1	1	1	2
1999-00	0	0	0	0	2
Cumulative	1	1	1	1	2
Average					

## Content Diagnostic Display



## Mean Scaled Score Summary

School	District	State
1997/1998	256	256
1998/1999	253	253
1999/2000	255	255
Cumulative	255	255
Average	255	249

# SCIENCE RESULTS

School: STRAFFORD ELEMENTARY  
District: STRAFFORD  
Grade: END-OF-GRADE SIX  
Date: MAY 2000

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## Proficiency Levels

**Advanced:** Students at this level demonstrate a thorough understanding of information, concepts, and skills from the biological, physical, and earth/space sciences. They recognize that the sciences are interconnected. They apply their knowledge and use appropriate scientific knowledge and processes to solve problems. They employ a variety of theories, including test, graphs, tables, and diagrams, to communicate scientific information clearly and concisely.

**Proficient:** Students at this level demonstrate an overall understanding of information, concepts, and skills from the biological, physical, and earth/space sciences. They are familiar with procedures used in science, such as developing hypotheses, conducting experiments, and selecting appropriate equipment. They draw conclusions from data presented in graphs and tables. They use their scientific knowledge to examine problems and evaluate advantages and disadvantages of proposed solutions. They clearly communicate and explain their understanding, problem-solving strategies, and solutions.

**Basic:** Students at this level demonstrate a perceptible understanding of information, concepts, and skills from the biological, physical, and earth/space sciences. They are familiar with methods used in science such as observation and classification. They obtain information from graphs and tables and use this information to address straightforward problems and questions. They use their scientific knowledge to address straightforward problems and questions. They clearly communicate their understanding and solutions.

**Novice:** Students at this level demonstrate some understanding of information, concepts, and skills from the biological, physical, and earth/space sciences. For example, they are able to obtain information from observations and experiments and are familiar with a number of scientific methods. They are able to address straightforward scientific problems and communicate their solutions in written and limited by the extent of their knowledge.

Students Not Included in the Report

		Students at Each Proficiency Level			
		School		District	
		N	%	N	%
1997-98	Advanced	1	2	1	2
1998-99	Advanced	3	4	3	4
1999-00	Advanced	0	0	0	0
1999-00	Advanced	1	2	1	2
Average		10	17	10	17
1997-98	Proficient	7	10	7	10
1998-99	Proficient	10	17	10	17
1999-00	Proficient	10	17	10	17
1999-00	Proficient	9	15	9	15
Average		24	40	24	40
1997-98	Basic	24	40	24	40
1998-99	Basic	30	43	30	43
1999-00	Basic	20	33	20	33
1999-00	Basic	25	39	25	39
Average		24	40	24	40
1997-98	Novice	24	40	24	40
1998-99	Novice	28	41	28	41
1999-00	Novice	30	50	30	50
1999-00	Novice	27	44	27	44
Average		27	44	27	44
1997-98	Students Not Included in the Report	1	2	1	2
1998-99	Students Not Included in the Report	1	1	1	1
1999-00	Students Not Included in the Report	0	0	0	0
1999-00	Students Not Included in the Report	1	1	1	1
Average		1	1	1	1

## Content Diagnostic Display

Total Possible Points	Subtopic	Percent of Total Possible Points										
49	Curriculum Strand 1 & 2 scientific inquiry/technology	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
46	Curriculum Strand 3 life science											
39	Curriculum Strand 4 earth/space science											
44	Curriculum Strand 5 physical science											
79	Curriculum Strand 6 unifying themes and concepts											

## Mean Scaled Score Summary

School	District	State
1997-1998	245	245
1998-1999	245	245
1999-2000	241	241
Cumulative Average	244	244

## SOCIAL STUDIES RESULTS

School: STRATFORD LITERARY  
District: STRATFORD  
Grade: EIGHT OF GRADE SIX  
Date: MAY 2000

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### Proficiency Levels

**Advanced:** Students at this level demonstrate a thorough understanding of subdomains, concepts, and skills in history, geography, economics, and government. They integrate the use of tools such as maps, globes, graphs, charts, narratives, and facts, and they use them to address social studies issues. They communicate their conclusions and problem-solving strategies clearly and concisely.

**Proficient:** Students at this level demonstrate an overall understanding of subdomains, concepts, and skills in history, geography, economics, and government. They can explain important ideas such as the rights and responsibilities of citizenship or how to use tools such as maps, globes, graphs, charts, narratives, and facts, and they use them to address social studies issues. They communicate their conclusions and problem-solving strategies clearly and concisely.

**Basic:** Students at this level demonstrate a reasonable understanding of subdomains, concepts, and skills in history, geography, economics, and government. They can describe people, places, and events as well as important ideas such as the relationship between the individual and the community. They obtain information from maps, globes, graphs, charts, narratives, and facts, and they use them to address social studies issues. They communicate their findings.

**Below:** Students at this level demonstrate inadequate understanding of subdomains, concepts, and skills in history, geography, economics, and government. They obtain information from maps, globes, graphs, charts, narratives, and facts, and they use them to address social studies issues. They communicate their findings.

Students not included in the Report

### Content Diagnostic Display

Total Possible Points	Subtopic	Percent of Total Possible Points
58	Curriculum Standards 4-4: civics and government	0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100
46	Curriculum Standards 5-9: economics	0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100
46	Curriculum Standards 10-14: geography	0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100
46	Curriculum Standards 15-19: history	0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100
57	Curriculum Standards 1-3, 15, & 16: social studies uses	0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100

### Mean-Scaled Score Summary

School	District	State
1997-1998	249	247
1998-1999	247	246
1999-2000	244	246
Candidates Average	247	247

## 2000 STRAFFORD SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

School nursing as a field of practice began around the turn of the century; however, the major health problems of children have since changed considerably - and so has the focus of school nursing. The increase in the number of students who are disabled, chronically ill, medically fragile, or at risk from school failure for other health-related reasons has inevitably altered school health programs.

As we enter the next year, no group is more acutely aware than school nurses, of the increasing problems of our children and youth. No group is more actually aware that the health issues children and families' face are not easily solved as in the past, with an immunization or a simple intervention. No group of professionals is more aware of the link between health and education and the promise this link holds for the future. And no group has the power that we hold to make a difference.

Prior to leaving, Irene Abels RN shared her knowledge, wisdom, skill and expertise in this field to assist me. With the torch being passed on, I intend to continue providing quality care to all our kids, carrying on her legacy of commitment to the children of Strafford. I bring to this community a variety of nursing experience and a strong dedication to the students, staff and families I serve.

The number of students, ranging from K-8 present some challenges. Assessing and treating ill and injured students remains an ongoing priority. Emphasis on prevention of these illnesses and injuries is my goal. I provide ongoing health and wellness education to parents and children via Friday newsletters and special notices. I have begun sending home information regarding the most common childhood illnesses/injuries on a Bi-weekly basis. The information comes from the NH Division of Public Health and is intended to help parents build-up, "general medical resource library" at home. This has proven very helpful with common questions and concerns, all hours of the day.

Our school population is growing; the addition of kindergarten has raised the enrollment to 541 students. The 99-00 school year yielded 10,442 visits to the nurse. Nurse Abels attended 400 tchr/parent conferences, spoke with 1300 parents, gave 70 medications out daily and 172 medications as needed. Her screenings included 547 for vision/hearing; 276 Scoliosis and 633 Headlice checks. I anticipate exceeding these numbers significantly in 00-01.

I have met many families in Strafford and look forward too meeting many more. I truly enjoy the challenge of my profession and welcome questions or concerns regarding your children any time.

Kathryn Cunningham, RN  
Strafford School Nurse



**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION**  
**October 12, 2000**

Your report of appropriations voted and property taxes to be raised for the 2000-2001 school year has been approved on the following basis:

<b>Total Appropriation .....</b>	<b>\$6,159,911.00</b>
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**Revenues and Credits Available to Reduce School Taxes**

Unreserved Fund Balance .....	\$173,499.45
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Fund Balance Voted from Surplus:	
(To Capital Reserve Fund) .....	25,000.00
Fund Balance Remaining as Revenue .....	148,499.45
School Building Aid .....	23,441.00
Catastrophic Aid .....	50,898.00
Child Nutrition .....	26,284.00
Kindergarten Building Aid .....	142,136.25

**Local Revenue Other Than Taxes**

Tuition	
Earnings on Investments .....	10,000.00
Pupil Activities Food Service Receipts .....	76,983.72
Other Local Sources - Rentals .....	2,000.00
Legal Settlement .....	65,000.00

<b>Total Appropriation .....</b>	<b>\$ 6,159,911.00</b>
<b>Total Revenue and Credits .....</b>	<b>570,242.00</b>
<b>District Assessment .....</b>	<b>5,589,669.00</b>

State Education Grant .....	\$1,710,895.00
State Education Tax .....	\$1,172,894.00

**SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION UNIT #44**  
**2000-2001 District Share of SAU Budget**

<b>District</b>	<b>Equalized Val.</b>	<b>Valuation Percent</b>	<b>ADM in Attendance</b>	<b>Pupils Percent</b>	<b>Combined Percent</b>	<b>01-02 District Share</b>
Northwood	199,814,412	32.40%	462.8	31.31%	63.71%	\$193,382.85
Nottingham	224,363,253	36.38%	480.2	32.49%	68.86%	209,014.97
Strafford	192,608,974	31.23%	535.1	36.20%	67.43%	204,674.40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>616,786,639</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1478.1</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>200%</b>	<b>\$607,072.22</b>

**SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #44**  
**2000-2001 Salaries**

Superintendent of Schools	\$76,384.80
Special Ed. Director	55,697.25
Asst. Special Ed. Director	46,500.00
Business Administrator	47,740.50
Grant Writer (Part-Time)	24,720.00

				<b>School Administrative Unit #44</b>	
				<b>STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>	
				<b>2001-2002 Proposed Budget</b>	
				<b>March 7, 2001</b>	
<b>1100</b>				<b>REGULAR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS:</b>	
				<b>2000-2001</b>	<b>2001-2002</b>
<b>1100</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>COMPENSATION:</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
1100	110	20.1	Teacher Salaries:	\$1,153,023.00	\$1,193,339.00
1100	110	20.2	Technology Teacher:	\$26,610.00	\$26,610.00
1100	110	40.1	Director Of Technology:	\$30,355.54	\$35,700.00
1100	110	90	Lunch Room Monitor:	\$8,208.00	\$8,208.00
1100	120	20	Substitute Teacher Salaries:	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
1100	121	20	Tutor Salaries:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
<b>1100</b>	<b>200</b>		<b>BENEFITS:</b>		
1100	211		Health Insurance: (Cert.)	\$123,808.55	\$130,776.85
1100	212		Dental Insurance:	\$11,521.62	\$11,458.00
1100	213		Life Insurance:	\$3,570.00	\$3,604.00
1100	219	20	Buy-Out		\$10,000.00
1100	232	20	Retirement (Certified):	\$36,085.16	\$36,912.35
1100	231	40	Retirement (Non-Certified):	\$864.26	\$1,594.01
1100	220		F.I.C.A.:	\$95,181.04	\$99,441.43
1100	290		Sick Day Reimbursement	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
1100	313		Criminal Record Checks	\$500.00	\$500.00
<b>1100</b>			<b>OTHER EXPENSES:</b>		
1100	321		Contracted Service Inst. & Choral Music:	\$30,709.12	\$0.00
1100	430		Repairs and Maintenance:	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
1100	442		Contracted Services:	\$5,000.00	\$5,500.00
<b>1100</b>	<b>500</b>		<b>OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES</b>		
1100	500		Printing	\$3,000.00	\$4,000.00
1100	561		Tuition-Other Public Schools:	\$25,220.00	\$39,726.00
1100	563		Tuition-Coe Brown:	\$1,802,180.00	\$2,002,260.00
<b>1100</b>	<b>610</b>		<b>SCHOOL SUPPLIES:</b>		
1100	610	2	Art Supplies:	\$3,200.00	\$3,600.00
1100	610	5	Lang Arts-Reading Supplies:	\$1,400.00	\$700.00
1100	610	6	Foreign Language Supplies	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
1100	610	8	Health Education	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
1100	610	8.1	Health-P.E. Supplies:	\$1,450.00	\$1,400.00
1100	610	8.2	Project Adventure:	\$3,500.00	\$1,500.00
1100	610	11	Math Supplies:	\$1,350.00	\$700.00
1100	610	12.1	Music Supplies:	\$1,000.00	\$1,600.00

			<b>REG ED PROGRAMS Continued:</b>	<b>2000-2001</b>	<b>2001-2002</b>
				<b>Approved</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
1100	610	12.2	Instrumental Music & Choral Supplies:	\$1,500.00	\$1,600.00
1100	610	13	Science Supplies:	\$2,000.00	\$1,600.00
1100	610	15	Social Studies Supplies:	\$900.00	\$1,500.00
1100	610	16	Computer Supplies	\$2,500.00	\$4,000.00
1100	610	18-1	Consumable Supplies:	\$12,700.00	\$10,000.00
1100	610	18-2	General Supplies:	\$3,500.00	\$4,000.00
1100	610	18-4	AV Supplies	\$900.00	\$1,000.00
1100	610	18-5	Testing Supplies:	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00
1100	640		<b>CLASSROOM TEXTS:</b>		
1100	640	1.1	Textbook Adoption	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
1100	640	1.2	Classroom Texts	\$7,000.00	\$4,200.00
1100	640	2	Classroom Workbooks:	\$6,800.00	\$8,200.00
1100	640	3	Classroom Supplemental Books:	\$7,500.00	\$3,000.00
1100	640	4	Classroom Reference Books:	\$1,200.00	\$200.00
1100	640	5	Classroom Periodicals:	\$500.00	\$500.00
1100	700		<b>Equipment and Furniture:</b>		
1100	733	1	New Equipment:	\$18,185.00	\$800.00
1100	733	2	New Furniture:	\$22,490.00	\$2,500.00
1100	734		Computer Technology Equipment:	\$20,600.00	\$19,500.00
1100	737	1	Replacement of Equipment:	\$0.00	\$0.00
1100	737	2	Replacement of Furniture:	\$1,000.00	\$500.00
1100	810		<b>Dues and Fees:</b>	\$3,500.00	\$3,700.00
1100			<b>TOTAL REG ED PROGRAMS:</b>	<b>\$3,546,511.28</b>	<b>\$3,751,429.64</b>
1200			<b>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS:</b>		
1200	100		<b>SALARIES:</b>		
1200	110	20	Special Education Teacher Salaries:	\$165,524.00	\$166,938.00
1200	110	40	Special Education Teacher Aide Salaries:	\$112,792.30	\$141,487.95
1200	110	50	Special Education Secretary:	\$11,083.80	\$14,250.00
1200	120	20.1	Substitute Spe Ed Teacher Salaries:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
1200	120	20.2	Special Education Extended Yr. Program:	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
1200	121	20	Special Education Tutor Salaries:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
1200	200		<b>BENEFITS:</b>		
1200	211	20	Health Insurance (Certified Staff):	\$17,875.60	\$18,662.39
1200	211	40	Health Insurance (Non-Certified Staff):	\$41,147.63	\$42,836.59
1200	212		Dental Insurance:	\$1,745.70	\$1,685.00
1200	213		Life Insurance:	\$525.00	\$530.00
1200	219	20	Buy-Out (Certified)		\$2,000.00
1200	219	40	Buy-Out (Non-Certified)		\$5,000.00
1200	232	20	Retirement (Certified Staff):	\$4,916.06	\$4,907.65
1200	231	40	Retirement (Non-Certified Staff):	\$5,464.35	\$7,400.20
1200	220		F.I.C.A.:	\$22,674.61	\$25,755.71



					2000-2001	2001-2002
1200			OTHER EXPENSES:		Approved	Proposed
1200	300	1	Contracted Service Evaluation		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
1200	300	2	Contracted Services:Special Education Coordin		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	310		Contracted Services:Medicaide Admin Fees		\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
1200	430		Repairs and Maintenance:		\$100.00	\$100.00
1200	550		Printing		\$0.00	\$500.00
1200	561		Spe Ed Tuition-Other Public Schools:		\$58,378.00	\$10,000.00
1200	563		Spe Ed Tuition-Coe Brown:		\$158,403.00	\$206,128.00
1200	569		Spe Ed Tuition-Non-Public Schools:		\$146,550.00	\$72,985.00
1200	580		Travel			
1200	610		SPE ED SCHOOL SUPPLIES:			
1200	610	2	Art Supplies:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	610	5	Lang Arts-Reading Supplies:		\$900.00	\$200.00
1200	610	8	Health-P.E. Supplies:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	610	11	Math Supplies:		\$100.00	\$75.00
1200	610	12	Music Supplies:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	610	13	Science Supplies:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	610	15	Social Studies Supplies:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	610	16	Computer Supplies:		\$100.00	\$100.00
1200	610	18.1	Consumable Supplies:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	610	18.2	General Supplies:		\$800.00	\$1,000.00
1200	610	18.3	Office Supplies			\$175.00
1200	610	18.4	A. V. Supplies:		\$800.00	\$700.00
1200	610	18.5	Testing Supplies:		\$2,500.00	\$800.00
1200	610	19.1	Counseling Supplies:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	610	19.2	Remedial Reading Supplies:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	610	19.3	Speech Supplies:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	640		SPE ED CLASSROOM TEXTS:			
1200	640	1	Spe Ed Classroom Textbooks:		\$900.00	\$200.00
1200	640	2	Spe Ed Classroom Workbooks:		\$400.00	\$100.00
1200	640	3	Spe Ed Classroom Supplemental Textbooks:		\$700.00	\$600.00
1200	640	4	Spe Ed Classroom Reference Books:		\$600.00	\$0.00
1200	640	5	Classroom Periodicals:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	700		Equipment and Furniture:			
1200	733	1	New Equipment:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	733	2	New Furniture:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	734		Computer Equipment		\$0.00	\$5,000.00
1200	737	1	Replacement of Equipment:		\$50.00	\$50.00
1200	737	2	Replacement of Furniture:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1200	810		Dues and Fees:		\$100.00	\$100.00
1200			TOTAL SPE EDU PROGRAMS:		\$767,130.05	\$742,266.49
1300			VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS:			
1300	500		VOCATIONAL TUITION:			
1300	561		Vocational Tuition-Other Public Schools:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1300	610		Vocational Assessment:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1300	810		Dues and Fees:		\$0.00	\$0.00
1300			TOTAL VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS:		\$0.00	\$0.00

1400			<b>OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS:</b>	<b>2000-2001</b>	<b>2001-2002</b>
1400	100		<b>SALARIES:</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
1410	110	2	Enrichment:	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
1410	110	3	Co-Curricula:	\$1,360.00	\$1,360.00
1410	110	4	Extra Curricular:	\$2,440.00	\$2,440.00
1410	110	5	Journal Coordinator:	\$630.00	\$630.00
1410	110	6	Substitute Stipend	\$1,500.00	\$1,800.00
1400	200		<b>BENEFITS:</b>		
1400	232		Retirement (Certified):	\$400.00	\$400.00
1400	231		Retirement (Non-Certified):	\$400.00	\$400.00
1400	220		F.I.C.A.:	\$1,117.67	\$1,140.62
1400	300		<b>Contracted Services:</b>		
1410	500		Contracted Services-Special Events:	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
1410	580		Travel Expenses Browne Center 8 Gr:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
1410	610	20.1	Co-Curricula Supplies:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
1410	610	20.2	Enrichment Supplies:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
1410	810		Dues and Fees:	\$500.00	\$500.00
1420	110		Athletic:	\$6,680.00	\$6,680.00
1420	430		Repairs and Maintenance:	\$200.00	\$200.00
1420	500	1	Officials-Umpires-Referees:	\$1,800.00	\$2,000.00
1420	500	2	Scoreboard		\$500.00
1420	610	8	Athletic Supplies:	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00
1430			Summer School: Literacy Connection Project	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00
1490	563	2	Contracted Service: Kindergarten	\$0.00	\$0.00
1400			<b>TOTAL OTHER INSTRUC. PROGRAMS:</b>	<b>\$31,527.67</b>	<b>\$33,050.62</b>
2110			<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>		
2112	500		Contracted Service-Truant Officer:	\$500.00	\$500.00
2112	220		FICA	\$38.25	\$38.25
2110			<b>TOTAL ATTENDANCE:</b>	<b>\$538.25</b>	<b>\$538.25</b>
2120			<b>GUIDANCE SERVICES:</b>		
2120	110		Guidance Salaries:	\$53,134.20	\$68,080.20
2120			<b>BENEFITS:</b>		
2120	211		Health Insurance:	\$8,608.54	\$7,092.83
2120	212		Dental Insurance:	\$558.63	\$540.00
2120	213		Life Insurance:	\$168.00	\$106.00
2120	232		Retirement (Certified):	\$1,578.09	\$1,977.73
2120	220		F.I.C.A.:	\$4,064.77	\$5,208.14
2120			<b>OTHER EXPENSES:</b>		
2120	330		Contracted Services- Testing:	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
2120	610		Guidance Supplies:	\$100.00	\$100.00
2120	640	1	Guidance Books:	\$500.00	\$500.00
2120	640	2	Guidance Periodicals:	\$175.00	\$175.00
2120	810		Guidance Dues and Fees:	\$200.00	\$200.00
2120			<b>TOTAL GUIDANCE SERVICES:</b>	<b>\$71,587.22</b>	<b>\$86,479.90</b>
2130			<b>HEALTH SERVICES:</b>		
2130	100		<b>SALARIES:</b>		
2130	110	20	Nurse's Salary:	\$26,355.00	\$27,541.00
2130	110	40	CNA	\$16,380.00	\$0.00
2130	120		Substitute Nurse's Salary:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

			<b>HEALTH SERVICES continued:</b>	<b>2000-2001</b>	<b>2001-2002</b>
<b>2130</b>			<b>BENEFITS:</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
2130	211	20	Health Insurance: (Certified)	\$3,115.92	\$0.00
2130	211	40	Health Insurance: (Non Certified)	\$5,889.07	\$0.00
2130	212		Dental Insurance:	\$349.14	\$337.00
2130	213		Life Insurance:	\$105.00	\$106.00
2130	219	20	Buy-Out		\$1,000.00
2130	232	20	Retirement: (Certified)	\$782.74	\$829.12
2130	232	40	Retirement: (Non Certified)	\$694.51	\$0.00
2130	220		F.I.C.A.: (Certified)	\$3,269.23	\$2,183.39
<b>2130</b>	<b>300</b>		<b>Contracted Services:</b>		
2130	300		Contracted Services-Staff Physicals:	\$200.00	\$200.00
2130	400		Contracted Services:	\$200.00	\$200.00
<b>2130</b>			<b>OTHER EXPENSES:</b>		
2130	430		Repairs and Maintenance-Nurse:	\$100.00	\$100.00
2130	580		Travel Expenses-Nurse:	\$100.00	\$100.00
2130	600		Health Supplies-Nurse:	\$1,200.00	\$1,400.00
2130	640	1	Health Textbooks-Nurse:	\$200.00	\$200.00
2130	640	2	Health Periodicals-Nurse:	\$75.00	\$75.00
<b>2130</b>	<b>700</b>		<b>Equipment and Furniture:</b>		
2130	733	1	New Equipment:	\$50.00	\$200.00
2130	733	2	New Furniture:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2130	737	1	Replacement of Equipment:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2130	737	2	Replacement of Furniture:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2130	810		Dues and Fees:	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>2130</b>			<b>TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES:</b>	<b>\$60,065.61</b>	<b>\$35,471.50</b>
<b>2140</b>			<b>SPECIAL CONTRACTED SERVICES:</b>		
2140	310	5	Contracted Service - ESL	\$0.00	\$13,318.00
2140	330		Pre-School Diagnostic Unit:	\$6,910.75	\$3,239.97
2162	323		Contracted Physical Therapy:	\$6,910.37	\$12,312.00
2163	323		Contracted Occupational Therapy:	\$21,017.48	\$32,942.58
2190	323		Strafford Learning Center Membership:	\$4,339.50	\$4,526.50
<b>2140</b>			<b>TOTAL SPEC CONTRACTED SERVICES:</b>	<b>\$39,178.10</b>	<b>\$66,339.05</b>
<b>2150</b>	<b>110</b>		<b>SPEECH SERVICES:</b>		
2150	110	20	Speech Salary:	\$41,556.00	\$42,563.00
2150	110	40	Speech Assistant	\$13,240.00	\$14,014.00
<b>2150</b>			<b>BENEFITS:</b>		
2150	211	20	Health Insurance: Cert.	\$7,151.02	\$8,406.33
2150	211	40	Health Insurance: Non Cert.	\$4,985.47	\$5,860.61
2150	212	20	Dental Insurance:	\$349.14	\$337.00
2150	213	20	Life Insurance:	\$105.00	\$106.00
2150	222	20	Retirement Certified:	\$1,234.21	\$1,236.46
2150	222	40	Retirement Non Certified	\$561.38	\$625.73
2150	220		F.I.C.A.:	\$4,191.89	\$4,328.14
<b>2150</b>			<b>Supplies:</b>		
2150	610	1	Speech Supplies:	\$150.00	\$250.00
2150	610	2	Speech Testing Supplies:	\$500.00	\$500.00
2150	640		Speech Books	\$200.00	\$250.00



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				<b>SPEECH SERVICES continued:</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
2150	733	1		Speech New Equipment:	\$50.00	\$60.00
2150	737	2		Speech Furniture	\$400.00	\$0.00
2150				<b>TOTAL SPEECH SERVICES:</b>	<b>\$74,674.11</b>	<b>\$78,537.26</b>
2210				<b>IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION:</b>		
2210	112	1		Curriculum Development/Revision:	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
2210	112	2		Summer Curriculum Work	\$5,000.00	\$8,000.00
2210	230			FICA	\$0.00	\$1,243.13
2210	232	20		Retirement	\$0.00	\$472.06
2210	310			Contracted Service-Grant Writing Consultation	\$0.00	\$0.00
2210	319			Staff Development Stipend:	\$750.00	\$750.00
2210	640	1		Professional Books:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
2213	240	20		Course Tuition Reimbursement:	\$17,000.00	\$18,770.00
2213	240	40		Tuition (Support Staff):	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
2213	322	1		In-Service Training:	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
2213	322	2		Staff Development Workshops:	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
2213	322	3		Staff Development Plan Revision	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
2213	322	4		Workshops (Support Staff):	\$2,500.00	\$3,500.00
2210				<b>TOTAL IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION:</b>	<b>\$40,950.00</b>	<b>\$49,435.19</b>
2220				<b>LIBRARY AND EDUCATIONAL MEDIA:</b>		
2220	100			<b>SALARIES:</b>		
2220	110	20		Librarian-Salary:	\$32,320.93	\$32,320.93
2220	110	40		Librarian Aide-Salary:	\$9,236.50	\$10,510.50
2220	120	20		Librarian Substitute-Salary:	\$250.00	\$250.00
2220				<b>BENEFITS:</b>		
2220	211	20		Health Insurance Certified:	\$7,151.02	\$8,406.33
2220	211	40		Health Insurance Non-Certified:	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
2220	212	20		Dental Insurance:	\$349.14	\$337.00
2220	213	20		Life Insurance:	\$105.00	\$106.00
2220	219	40		Buy-Out (Non-Certified)	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
2220	232	20		Retirement-Certified:	\$959.93	\$938.92
2220	232	40		Retirement-Non-Certified:	\$391.63	\$513.94
2220	220			F.I.C.A.:	\$3,198.27	\$3,372.23
2220				<b>OTHER EXPENSES:</b>		
2220	440			Repairs and Maintenance	\$0.00	\$500.00
2220	442			Contracted Services	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00
2220	610	18-2		Library General Supplies:	\$700.00	\$700.00
2220	610	18-4		Library A.V. Supplies:	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
2220	640	1		Library Books:	\$6,500.00	\$8,000.00
2220	640	2		Library Periodicals:	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
2220	650			Computer Software Supplies:	\$10,000.00	\$8,000.00
2220	700			<b>Equipment and Furniture:</b>		
2220	733	1		New Equipment:	\$750.00	\$500.00
2220	733	2		New Furniture:	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
2220	737	1		Replacement of Equipment:	\$1,500.00	\$500.00
2220	737	2		Replacement of Furniture:	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
2220				<b>TOTAL LIB &amp; EDU MEDIA:</b>	<b>\$83,112.42</b>	<b>\$82,155.86</b>



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2310			<b>SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES:</b>		<b>Approved</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
2310	319	10	School Board-Salaries:		\$3,100.00	\$3,100.00
2311	319	10	School District Moderator-Salary:		\$100.00	\$100.00
2312	319	50-1	School District Clerk-Salary:		\$250.00	\$250.00
2312	319	50-2	School District Secretary-Salary:		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
2313	319	10	School District Treasurer-Salary:		\$2,400.00	\$3,900.00
2310			<b>OTHER EXPENSES:</b>			
2310	220		F.I.C.A.:		\$524.49	\$638.78
2310	810		Dues and Fees-School Board's Association:		\$2,776.00	\$2,776.00
2311	540		Advertising-Legal Notices:		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
2317	330	30	Contracted Services-School District Audit:		\$2,909.00	\$3,103.00
2318	330	30	Contracted Services-Attorney & Negotiator:		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
2319	800		Other Expenses:		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
2310			<b>TOTAL SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES:</b>		<b>\$17,059.49</b>	<b>\$18,867.78</b>
2321			<b>EXPENSES-S.A.U. # 44:</b>		<b>\$183,938.34</b>	<b>\$204,674.40</b>
2410			<b>OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL:</b>			
			<b>COMPENSATION:</b>			
2410	110	10.1	Principal's Salary:		\$63,108.62	\$67,148.00
2410	110	10.2	Assistant Principal:		\$46,891.78	\$49,893.00
2410	110	50.1	Secretary Salary:		\$19,280.00	\$20,553.75
2410	110	50.2	Secretary Salary:		\$14,840.00	\$16,646.00
			<b>BENEFITS:</b>			
2410	211	10-1	Health Insurance (Principal):		\$8,412.96	\$9,889.80
2410	211	10-2	Health Insurance (Asst. Principal):		\$1,000.00	\$0.00
2410	211	50	Health Insurance (Non-Certified Staff):		\$2,000.00	\$4,980.10
2410	212	10-1	Dental Insurance (Principal):		\$1,138.16	\$1,098.00
2410	212	10-2	Dental Insurance (Asst. Principal):		\$349.14	\$337.00
2410	212	50	Dental Insurance (Non-Certified Staff):		\$0.00	\$0.00
2410	213	10-1	Life Insurance (Principal):		\$105.00	\$454.00
2410	213	10-2	Life Insurance (Asst. Principal):		\$105.00	\$336.00
2410	213	50	Life Insurance (Non-Certified Staff):		\$0.00	\$0.00
2410	214	1	Disability Insurance		\$0.00	\$168.00
2410	214	2	Disability Insurance		\$0.00	\$140.00
2410	219	20	Buy-Out (Certified)		\$0.00	\$1,000.00
2410	219	40	Buy-Out (Non-Certified)		\$0.00	\$1,000.00
2410	232	10-1	Retirement (Principal):		\$1,874.33	\$1,950.65
2410	232	10-2	Retirement (Asst. Principal):		\$1,392.69	\$1,478.44
2410	231	50	Retirement (Non-Certified Staff):		\$1,446.69	\$1,705.62
2410	220		F.I.C.A.:		\$11,254.71	\$12,333.40
2410			<b>OTHER EXPENSES:</b>			
2410	430		Repairs and Maintenance:		\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
2410	442		Contracted Service:		\$3,500.00	\$4,000.00
2410	531		Telephone:		\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
2410	534		Postage:		\$1,500.00	\$1,800.00
2410	550		Printing:		\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
2410	580		Travel Expenses:		\$500.00	\$500.00

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				<b>OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL continued:</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
2410	610	18.2		Supplies and Forms:	\$250.00	\$250.00
2410	650			Computer Software System Supplies:	\$100.00	\$300.00
2410	700			<b>Equipment and Furniture:</b>		
2410	733	1		New Equipment:	\$0.00	\$350.00
2410	733	2		New Furniture:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2410	737	1		Replacement of Equipment:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2410	737	2		Replacement of Furniture:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2410	810			Dues and Fees:	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
2490	890			Graduation-Class Day Expenses:	\$1,500.00	\$1,800.00
2410				<b>TOTAL OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL:</b>	<b>\$194,049.07</b>	<b>\$213,611.75</b>
				<b>OFFICE OF SCH DIST BOOKKEEPER:</b>		
2510	110			School District Bookkeeper-Salary:	\$22,984.00	\$26,000.00
2510				<b>BENEFITS:</b>		
2510	211			Health Insurance:	\$1,000.00	\$6,922.86
2510	212			Dental Insurance:	\$349.14	\$337.00
2510	213			Life Insurance:	\$105.00	\$106.00
2510	219	20		Buy-Out		\$0.00
2510	231			Retirement:	\$974.52	\$1,160.90
2510	220			F.I.C.A.:	\$1,834.78	\$2,518.60
2510				<b>OTHER EXPENSES:</b>		
2510	430			Repairs and Maintenance:	\$100.00	\$100.00
2510	442			Contracted Service: (Copier & Postage Meter)	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00
2510	534			Postage:	\$800.00	\$800.00
2510	580			Travel Expenses:	\$400.00	\$500.00
2510	610	1		Supplies:	\$500.00	
2510	610	2		Computer Supplies	\$400.00	\$600.00
2510	810			Dues & Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00
2510	700			<b>Equipment and Furniture:</b>		
2510	733	1		New Equipment:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2510	733	2		New Furniture:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2510	737	1		Replacement of Equipment:	\$2,600.00	\$0.00
2510	737	2		Replacement of Furniture:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2510				<b>TOTAL OFFICE OF BOOKKEEPER:</b>	<b>\$34,647.44</b>	<b>\$41,645.36</b>
2600				<b>OPERATION AND MAINT. OF PLANT:</b>		
2620	110	90.1		Head Custodian's Salary:	\$24,627.20	\$27,280.00
2620	110	90.2		Custodian-Salaries:	\$71,240.00	\$78,780.00
2620	120			Substitute & Overtime Custodian-Salaries:	\$3,000.00	\$4,000.00
2600				<b>BENEFITS:</b>		
2620	211			Health Insurance:	\$25,945.35	\$25,803.09
2620	212			Dental Insurance:	\$349.14	\$337.00
2620	213			Life Insurance:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2620	231			Retirement:	\$4,064.77	\$4,735.58
2620	220			F.I.C.A.:	\$7,563.34	\$8,419.59

			<b>OPERATION AND MAINT. OF PLANT :</b>	<b>2000-2001</b>	<b>2001-2002</b>
			<b>continued</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
<b>2600</b>	<b>400</b>		<b>Repairs and Maintenance:</b>		
2620	429		Laundry & Dry Cleaning:	\$300.00	\$300.00
2620	430	1	Repairs and Maintenance:		\$0.00
2620	430	2	Repairs and Maintenance-Heating Plant:	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
2620	430	3	Repairs and Maint-Equipment:	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00
2620	430	4	Repairs and Maint-Furniture & Fix.:	\$750.00	\$750.00
2630	430	5	Repairs and Maint-Grounds:	\$10,000.00	\$7,500.00
2620	430	6	Repairs and Maint-Building:	\$8,500.00	\$7,500.00
2620	442		Pagers	\$400.00	\$400.00
2620	520		Insurance Premium On Bldg & Contents:	\$11,828.00	\$13,602.00
2620	580		Travel Expenses:	\$200.00	\$200.00
<b>2600</b>			<b>SUPPLIES:</b>		
2620	610	1	Supplies-General Custodial:	\$12,500.00	\$12,500.00
2620	610	2	Supplies-Glass:	\$500.00	\$500.00
2620	610	3	Supplies-Lumber:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
2620	610	4	Supplies-Hardware:	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00
2620	610	5	Supplies-Electrical:	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
2620	610	6	Supplies-Plumbing:	\$1,200.00	\$800.00
2620			<b>UTILITIES:</b>		
2620	411		Water (bottled)	\$400.00	\$400.00
2620	622		Electricity:	\$39,170.00	\$39,000.00
2620	623		Propane Gas:	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00
2620	624		Fuel Oil:	\$15,000.00	\$16,000.00
<b>2600</b>	<b>700</b>		<b>Equipment and Furniture:</b>		
2620	733	1	New Equipment:	\$2,200.00	\$1,000.00
2620	733	2	New Furniture:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2620	737	1	Replacement of Equipment:	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
2620	737	2	Replacement of Furniture:	\$500.00	\$250.00
<b>2600</b>	<b>300</b>		<b>Contracted Services:</b>		
2630	421	1	Contracted Service-Rubbish Removal:	\$5,000.00	\$6,000.00
2630	421	2	Recycling	\$1,260.00	\$1,260.00
2630	422		Snow Removal:		
2660	430	1	Contracted Service-Fire Alarm Service:	\$1,000.00	\$9,000.00
2660	430	2	Contracted Service-MasterClock & Intercom:	\$1,000.00	\$750.00
2660	430	3	Security System		\$800.00
2690	410		State Mandated-Water Testing:	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00
2690	411		Contracted Service-Septic Tank Maintenance:	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
<b>2600</b>			<b>TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINT OF PLT:</b>	<b>\$273,997.80</b>	<b>\$293,867.26</b>
<b>2700</b>			<b>PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES:</b>		
2721	519	1	Elementary School Transportation:	\$202,688.40	\$206,496.40
2721	519	2	High School Transportation:	\$11,049.00	\$11,903.00
2722	519		Special Education Transportation:	\$50,000.00	\$70,364.00
2723	519		Vocational Transportation:	\$0.00	\$0.00
2724	519		Athletic Transportation:	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00
2725	519	1	Class-Field Trip Transportation:	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
2725	519	2	Co-curricular:	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>2700</b>			<b>TOTAL PUPIL TRANSPORTATION:</b>	<b>\$268,737.40</b>	<b>\$294,263.40</b>



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2811			PLANNING SERVICES		Approved	Proposed
			Cooperative School District Planning Committ		\$2,000.00	\$0.00
2820			TOTAL PLANNING SERVICES		\$2,000.00	\$0.00
2900			INSURANCES, COMPENSATION, RETIREMENT:			
2900	211		Health Insurance:		\$0.00	\$0.00
2900	212		Dental Insurance:		\$0.00	\$0.00
2900	213		Life Insurance:		\$100.00	\$100.00
2900	219		Administrative: Section 125 Plan			\$400.00
2900	250		Unemployment Compensation:		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
2900	260		Worker's Compensation:		\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00
2900			TOTAL INSUR., COMP., RETIRE.:		\$14,100.00	\$14,500.00
4000			FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONS:			
			Kindergarten Expenses		\$210,450.00	\$0.00
			TOTAL FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONS:		\$210,450.00	\$0.00
5100			DEBT SERVICE:			
5100	830		Payment of Interest:		\$26,010.00	\$20,230.00
5100	910		Payment of Principal:		\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00
5100			TOTAL DEBT SERVICE:		\$111,010.00	\$105,230.00
3100			Food Service Program:			
3110	110	1	Salaries-Food Service Director:		\$22,024.80	\$22,685.54
3120	110	2	Salaries-Food Service Workers:		\$23,099.38	\$22,801.25
3120	211		Health		\$1,000.00	\$0.00
3120	212		Retirement		\$916.23	\$1,057.56
3120	219	20	Buy-Out			\$1,000.00
3120	220		FICA		\$3,452.00	\$3,556.24
3120	310		Contracted Services		\$0.00	\$0.00
3120	329		Education		\$2,250.00	\$2,250.00
3120	430		Equipment Repairs		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
3120	580		Transportation		\$151.08	\$200.00
3120	531		Telephone		\$325.00	\$325.00
3120	540		Legal Notices (advertising)		\$85.00	\$85.00
3120	800		Other Expenses		\$50.00	\$50.00
3120	610	1	Supplies		\$500.00	\$750.00
3120	610	2	Uniforms		\$0.00	\$0.00
3120	630		Food/Milk		\$54,218.59	\$54,500.00
3120	623		Propane Gas		\$355.00	\$375.00
3120	733		Replacement of Equipment		\$200.00	\$500.00
3120	810		Dues & Fees		\$20.00	\$75.00
Total Food Service:					\$109,647.08	\$111,210.59



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			<b>Budget Summary</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
1100			Regular Education Programs:	\$3,546,511.28	\$3,751,429.64
1200			Special Instructional Programs:	\$767,130.05	\$742,266.49
1300			Vocational Programs:	\$0.00	\$0.00
1400			Co-Curricular Activities:	\$31,527.67	\$33,050.62
2110			Attendance:	\$538.25	\$538.25
2120			Guidance:	\$71,587.22	\$86,479.90
2130			Health:	\$60,065.61	\$35,471.50
2140			Special Contracted Services:	\$39,178.10	\$66,339.05
2150			Speech Services:	\$74,674.11	\$78,537.26
2210			Improvement of Instruction:	\$40,950.00	\$49,435.19
2220			Library and Educational Media:	\$83,112.42	\$82,155.86
2310			School Board Services:	\$17,059.49	\$18,867.78
2321			Expenses - S.A.U. # 44:	\$183,938.34	\$204,674.40
2410			Office of The Principal:	\$194,049.07	\$213,611.75
2510			Office of The Bookkeeper:	\$34,647.44	\$41,645.36
2600			Operation and Maintenance of Plant:	\$273,997.80	\$293,867.26
2700			Pupil Transportation Services:	\$268,737.40	\$294,263.40
2820			Managerial Services	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
2900			Insurances, Compensation, Retirement:	\$14,100.00	\$14,500.00
4000			Facilities Acquisitions:	\$210,450.00	\$0.00
5100			Debt Service:	\$111,010.00	\$105,230.00
			Totals General Fund	\$6,025,264.25	\$6,112,363.69
			<b>General Fund Total</b>	<b>\$6,025,264.25</b>	<b>\$6,112,363.69</b>
			<b>Food Service Total</b>	<b>\$109,647.08</b>	<b>\$111,210.59</b>
			<b>WA# 6 Capital Reserve Fund Deposit:</b>	<b>\$25,000.00</b>	<b>\$25,000.00</b>
			<b>WA# 4 Land Purchase</b>		<b>\$275,000.00</b>
			<b>Land Search Committee</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
			<b>WA# 5 Capital Reserve Fund-Withdrawal: Generator</b>		<b>\$50,000.00</b>
			<b>WA# 2 Teacher Agreement</b>		<b>\$93,230.00</b>
			<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>\$6,159,911.33</b>	<b>\$6,666,804.28</b>

<b>Strafford</b>		
<b>Itemized Special Education Expenditures</b>	<b>98-99</b>	<b>99-2000</b>
Instruction	\$551,278.01	\$613,505.59
Related Services	\$92,978.49	\$200,206.09
Transportation	\$66,710.33	\$58,971.49
Tuition	\$265,325.95	\$201,539.77
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$976,292.78</b>	<b>\$1,074,222.94</b>
<b>Itemized Revenue Sources</b>		
Catastrophic Aid	\$19,507.04	\$37,129.67
Adequacy (only year 2 available)		\$256,448.00
IDEA Entitlement		
Part B (3-21)	\$31,914.00	\$42,210.00
Preschool		\$6,415.32
Medicaid	\$43,311.82	\$19,577.95
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$94,732.86</b>	<b>\$361,780.94</b>
<b>Actual District Cost</b>	<b>\$881,559.92</b>	<b>\$712,442.00</b>

**SAU #44 STRAFFORD  
STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING  
MARCH 8, 2000  
7:00 p.m.**

School Board Members: Mr. Bruce Patrick, Chairman, Mr. Mark Dolan, Vice Chairman, Mr. R. Steven Leighton, Mrs. Joanne Piper-Lang, Mrs. Jane Vachon

Others Present: Dr. Harry Fensom, Superintendent; Mrs. Judith McCann, SAU Special Education Coordinator; Mrs. Robyn Jenisch, Business Manager - SAU #44; Mr. Richard Jenisch, Principal; Mr. Daniel Baker, Assistant Principal; Mrs. Carrolle A. Popovich, Secretary and School District Clerk

Moderator William Lord opened the Strafford School District Meeting at 7:00 PM and explained that the evenings meeting would follow "Bill's Rules of Order." He noted that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss and act on articles included within the School District Warrant, inclusive of the budget for the next school year.

Moderator Lord then introduced Mr. Richard Jenisch, Strafford School Principal, who gave a tribute to Mrs. Margaret Osterman. He stated the following: "This year marks the end of an era for our community. Hand in Hand Kindergarten has provided services for preschool students in Strafford for almost 20 years in various locations within the town. Hundreds of students have benefited from the care, compassion, and teaching provided by Hand in Hand staff over the years, whether it be Day Care, Preschool or Kindergarten. Peg Osterman has worked tirelessly as Director of Hand in Hand, as a teacher, maintenance person, bookkeeper, nurse, staff trainer, and perhaps most important, as an advocate for preschool education and for preschool children. I know of few individuals as dedicated or as knowledgeable as she and no one who has devoted as much time and energy to the design and implementation of preschool programming. Whether creating an exciting learning environment out of a cellar or designing curriculum for kindergarten, Peg has consistently demonstrated the highest ideals of teaching. Her vision was realized for hundreds of youngsters because of hard work and a belief that a positive and successful preschool experience was critical to a child's later success in school. Despite some significant personal sacrifices, Peg never wavered from her vision. We have three children of our own who are who they are because of Pegs intelligence, her devotion to their education, and because she was always there for them no matter what. Four years ago, with just two weeks formal notice, Peg designed and put together a quality alternative public kindergarten for Strafford, which was accepted and commended by the State. During this time she continually advocated for bringing the program back to Strafford School despite the fact that it would no doubt result in ending the Hand in Hand Program. As Strafford now prepared to administer its own kindergarten program on site, we have been left with an excellent model to duplicate. As one might expect, Peg has been there for us throughout the process and has been willing to consult with us every step of the way. We are fortunate as a community to have left our students in her capable hands for so many years. We honor Peg Osterman this evening and we retire the Hand in Hand T-shirt with the honor and dignity it deserves. Thanks Peg for so many years of commitment and vision. On behalf of the Superintendent of Schools, the Town of Strafford and the hundreds of students whose lives she touched, thanks for leading the way." At this time, Mrs. Osterman came forward and was presented with a plaque that read, "presented to Peg Osterman, Director of Hand in Hand Kindergarten March 8, 2000 in sincerest appreciation of her dedication and outstanding service to the youth of Strafford" and a floral arrangement from the Strafford School Board. Mrs. Osterman congratulated the Strafford School Board for taking the important step of insuring a first class kindergarten for the Town of Strafford. She also thanked all the parents for giving her the opportunity to work with so many of their children over the years.

At this time, Moderator Lord introduced the individuals sitting at the head table as follows: School Board Members: Mr. Mark Dolan, Vice Chairman; Mr. Steven Leighton; Mr. Bruce Patrick; Mrs. Jane Vachon and Mrs. Joanne Piper-Lang; Dr. Harry Fensom, Superintendent; Mr. Richard Jenisch, Principal; Mr. Daniel Baker, Assistant Principal; Mrs. Robyn Jenisch, Business Manager and Mrs. Carrolle Popovich, School District Clerk.



Moderator Lord explained the procedural rules of the meeting as follows:

Only questions and comments germane to the warrant will be in order. Any questions or comments of a personal nature are inappropriate;  
Once recognized, anyone who wishes to speak will need to approach a microphone.  
First, provide us with your name and then proceed with your question or comment;  
Please speak forward to the head table so that we can actually hear and respond;  
All articles published in the Warrant will be considered proposed and seconded when read by the Moderator;  
When it is time to vote, you will vote by raising the green voting card that you should have received when you checked in with the supervisors of the checklist;  
Civility is ALWAYS required.

Moderator Lord read **Warrant Article #1:**

**"To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen and pass any relating thereto."**

Moderator Lord asked if there were any committee reports. Mrs. Linda Raines rose and noted that she was one of three members of the Cooperative Planning Committee, which was selected at last years District Meeting. She noted that the Committee wished to make a presentation on what the Committee has done this past year. She noted the Cooperative Planning Committee members as: herself (Linda Raines, Michael Harrington and Carol Mulligan). She then introduced Mr. Michael Harrington who spoke about the Cooperative School District Planning Committee. He referenced a handout which was made available at the beginning of the meeting, which detailed a "flow chart". Mr Harrington stated that the Committee looked at the possibility of a cooperative middle school district, probably with the Town of Northwood. He stated that Northwood also has a similar committee. He stated that the Strafford Cooperative Planning Committee met with the Northwood Cooperative Planning Committee a few times. Mr. Harrington explained that, in accordance with the "flow chart", the creation of a Cooperative School District Planning Committee was done last year. He stated that the request is to re-create the committee again for another year, and if done, a planning committee and a cooperative school district planning committee board could then be formed. Mr. Harrington noted that part of the problem is all of these steps take time. Mr. Harrington pointed out that the Town of Strafford is facing a situation, where the school is getting crowded. He added that something has to be done to make more room available in the future. Mr. Harrington noted he was on the building committee when the last addition to the school was built, and at that time, this committee did look at a lot of options at the time as far as expansion and other alternatives to be done to the school. He noted ongoing problems with the septic system at the school over the years. Mr. Harrington explained further that if the Town wishes to look further into a cooperative school district, a number of things have to take place.

He noted the following:

Article of Agreement have to be drawn up. Public Hearing held;  
State Board of Education has to approve Articles of Agreement;  
Individual towns have to vote on the Articles of Agreement.

Mr Harrington stated that the key thing to remember was the multiple places along the process where the town gets to vote, tonight being the first vote. He stated that along the way, whether it be at special meetings or at next years meeting (if the town goes forward with this), the town would have the opportunity to vote on various parts of it. Again, he noted the procedural process. He stated that a new committee would be established, different from the one in Northwood and Strafford. Mr. Harrington explained that at the point, the towns would decide on what they wanted to build for a school, which would have to be voted on by the individual town, and if a bond issue were required, the vote would required a two thirds majority vote. He pointed out that the whole procedure is a multi-year process, which does give the towns multiple times to get back involved to either vote to go forward, or chose a different option. He stressed the importance of the school districts having a retained option of having a veto over the process.

Mr Kurt Whelper referenced the flow chart, noting that there was no end, except where construction begins. Again he referenced the flow chart and noted that any place where public input or a public vote is required and the the answer is no, it just goes back to more public input and then comes back



to another vote, and goes on to construction begins. Mr. Harrington explained that, according to the chart, it was just a loop that was simply a process to shorten the procedure down. He added that if one of the towns didn't want to go any further with the process, the loops are simply the opportunity to get input from the town and possibly revise the Articles of Agreement. He added that if the towns decided they didn't like that idea of a cooperative, it could be voted down, referencing the Pawtuckaway District of Deerfield and Nottingham. He added that the process could be definitely ended when voted upon by the towns.

Mr. Martel introduced himself and asked if the committee has met in accordance with Title 6, RSA 91, or has the committee had meetings that did not meet the requirements under that Title. Mr. Harrington referred the question to Superintendent Fensom. Dr. Fensom queried Mr. Martel about his reference to Title 6, stating that he was assuming that the meetings were posted and open to the public. He noted that there was compliance with Title 6-the Open Meetings Law, with sending meeting notices to both to Northwood and Strafford when the committees met jointly, as well having notices posted at the SAU Office. He also noted that there were notes of all the meetings as well.

Mr. Irving O. Johnson stated that, after attending a few meetings, he stated that it seemed to him that the consensus is that the Town of Strafford would be better off if Strafford went on their own, further suggesting that this be voted down tonight, to get started on plans to build a school for the Town of Strafford. He stated that he felt that the Town of Strafford doesn't get their fair share from the SAU now, and would not get our fair share if Strafford went cooperative with Northwood. Mr. Harrington asked that other committee members have an opportunity to speak to the pluses and minuses of the commitment.

Mrs. Carol Mulligan spoke to the educational benefits of having a cooperative school district. She noted that at this point, the cooperative was being considered in terms of a cooperative middle school between Strafford and Northwood. She pointed out the following program benefits:

- If a cooperative were done with the Towns of Northwood and Strafford for a middle school, there would be a lot more options open for programs;

- a greater pool of teachers available to choose from as well as having a greater pool of teachers for teaming to work with students on that level;

- the benefits to students in terms of continuity, as they would be transitioning to their greater group that they will be with at the high school level at an earlier age (depending on the age for transition);

- a greater pool of resources for support needs for students as far as special education services as well as other support staff in terms of aides;

- the pooling of other resources to have more available for a lesser cost.

Mrs. Linda Raines then rose and spoke about three basic components that the Cooperative Planning Committee reviewed. She noted the following:

- educational component (what would serve the educational needs of the students);

- would this address the space needs;

- would this be a worthwhile venture financially.

Mrs. Raines explained the two major things that took affect in a cooperative school district. Another board would be developed, but that the boards could come together with one total cooperative. She stated that the committee is exploring one cooperative school district at the middle level. Mrs. Raines noted that presently, cooperative school districts can receive approximately 40% construction aide, as opposed to 30% for regular school construction. She further noted that the State has already notified all Superintendent's and Principal's to do a major look-see at their school buildings as far as other building needs, noting that sometime in the future, the building aide formula would be re-reviewed as far as for construction costs. She noted the following:

- Operating costs are affected when you combine, noting that when resources are combined, a cost savings is felt;

- staff are utilized better;

- sharing of staff is better utilized;

- ability to have a full-time staff as opposed to only having one period or part-time staff;

- programming issues which are expensive can be shared by both communities;

- special services are better utilized by staff as well as shared by the towns.

Mrs. Raines stated that the Committee is in need of feed back from the community. She stated that more time is essential to receive more feed back from the community, so that the right decision can be

made. She also stressed that the citizens of the community also need information in order to make the right decision. Mrs Raines stressed that the committee has made no final decision, as the ultimate decision will rest with members of the community. She did note that the Committee did agree to support the Warrant Article, so that further study could be done, so that a very reasonable presentation could be made to the taxpayers for them to make a good choice.

Moderator Lord queried if there were any other committees that wished to give a report under Warrant #1. There being none, Moderator Lord then proceeded to Warrant Article #2.

**Moderator Lord read Warrant Article #2 - "To see if the School District will vote to continue the work of the Cooperative School District Planning Committee as formed at the March 1999 meeting, and further, to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to fund any expenses that may be incurred by the Committee."**

Moderator Lord continued, noting that the School Board recommended this article. He noted that the article was considered on the floor, where discussion ensued.

Mr. Martel stated that he video taped a quorum of the Cooperative Committee met jointly with the people in Northwood, and that the meeting was not posted. He stated that he felt there was a problem with open meeting to the public that are not posted. Mr. Martel spoke to his interpretation of a Bill submitted in January of 1999 to the House of Representatives for consideration, naming two towns (Northwood and Strafford) to build on leased land. He noted his interpretation of the intent of the Bill. He recommended the dismissal of the Cooperative Planning Committee.

Moderator Lord spoke to the previous statement made by Mr. Martel. He noted that if the Bill was submitted, it had absolutely nothing to do with the Town of Strafford. Moderator Lord noted that it had to do with Northwood and a different community, and had nothing to do with a middle school.

Mr Johnson queried why, when negotiations were being made with Coe-Brown Academy, there wasn't any economy of scale. Mr. Harrington clarified the difference between a cooperative school and Strafford students attending Coe-Brown Academy. Mr. Harrington explained that Strafford students are tuitioned into Coe-Brown Academy, whereby payment is made on a per student basis. He stated that with a cooperative school district, it would be set up very much like the Strafford School District is now. He added that, to figure out what the total cost per student would be, you'd divide the total cost by the number of students. Mr. Harrington stated that the Warrant Article is asking for two thousand dollars (\$2,000) and an opportunity to further pursue whether a cooperative school district is the best option for the Town of Strafford to pursue.

Mr. Michael Felber requested for the remainder of the meeting, that further debate at this meeting be done on the basis of their worth, and no try to slander the people who have volunteered their time on these committees, and have given their time to explore these options. He added that no one could benefit from trying to mislead the public. Mr Felber noted the growth of the community, referencing the enrollment figures of the school. He stated that he appreciated the work the Cooperative Planning Committee has been doing in exploring the possibilities, to help the community meet the student needs as well as being affordable for the Town. Mr. Felber recommended an affirmative vote for Warrant Article #2.

Mr. Martel asked what the enrollment figures were for the last four years that were at peak. Principal Jenisch stated that presently, the total student enrollment as of March 8, 2000 was 496 students, with two additional students entering the beginning of next week. He also noted the increased number of kindergarten students within the facility next year. Mr. Jenisch referenced the FY 2000-2001 Budget Narrative, where the following was noted on Page 2 of this document:

Kindergarten	46 students
Grade 1	51 students
Grade 2	55 students
Grade 3	56 students
Grade 4	55 students
Grade 5	78 students
Grade 6	58 students
Grade 7	72 students
Grade 8	65 students



Mr Jenish noted that this document also included the historical enrollment figures of Strafford School, commencing from the year 1991 to 1999.

Vice Chairman Dolan pointed out that the charter of the Cooperative School Planning Committee was a feasibility of committee, whereby they were looking at whether this option was a viable option for the Town. He spoke to the importance of letting the committee explore all options, so that decisions can be reached based on good information.

Mrs Debbie McCann questioned if there were any other committees exploring the option of keeping the school in town, or does it get put off until this committee has finished? Chairman Patrick noted that this would be addressed in another upcoming Warrant Article, which would address a Land Search Committee, to look for land. He explained that the land could be utilized two different ways - for a cooperative school or used separately by the Strafford School District. He noted that a direction from the community was being sought for either a cooperative school district or doing something local within the Strafford School District. He stated that no plans are underway at this venture, and stressed the need to explore both directions.

Mr. Martel referenced the figures provided in Page 2 of the narrative, and questioned the number of students included within the figures for kindergarten.

**Mr Scott Goodell moved the question. This motion was duly seconded. A call for the vote to limit debate was voted in the affirmative and declared as such by Moderator Lord.**

**Moderator Lord again read Warrant Article #2. He then called for the vote on the motion, as read. The vote on Warrant Article #2 carried, and was declared as such by Moderator Lord.**

Moderator Lord then read **Warrant Article #3 - "To see if the School District will vote to establish a Land Search Committee and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of securing a piece of property for future expansion, such sum will be used as a deposit on the land as well as necessary testing to determining the viability of the parcel as a future school property."** Moderator Lord further noted that the School Board recommended this appropriation.

Discussion ensued regarding Warrant Article #3. Mr. Leighton stated that this Article addresses the search and purchase of land that can be utilized for school construction needs. He noted that nothing further can be added to the present school location, further noting issues as a result of the new modulars to be brought on site to be utilized for next few years. Mr. Leighton noted the importance of moving forward, stating that any land purchased could either be utilized for a cooperative school or a separate school for just the Strafford School District. Mr. Leighton made reference to the question raised by Mrs. McCann, noting that it is the belief of the Board, that a committee be established to look in to the feasibility of building a school for the Strafford School District at the same time the Cooperative Planning Committee continues to explore the feasibility of a cooperative school. Mr. Leighton further noted that no land has been selected, although several pieces have been reviewed. He noted that the Board directed the Land Search Committee to "start with a fresh hand", to try to find the best land that will suit the Town, not only for the next building, but hopefully for 15-20 years. Mr. Leighton stated that the Board will be directed to find a minimum of fifty acres to be utilized, which will be suitable for now and in the future. Mr. Leighton further noted that it was the desire of the Board that a new school could be constructed within a four-year period.

Mr Moe Chagnon referenced work, which had been developed some years back between the Towns of Barnstead and Pittsfield. He noted that during that process, the problem for the actual siting of the school ended up being a tremendous detriment. Mr. Chagnon stated that process was voted down twice. He asked how the argument for location would be eliminated, if land were purchased now. Mr. Leighton stated that, not only would the problem exist, it would be an issue where ever. He noted the importance of finding land somewhere, even if it isn't utilized of a cooperative school, as the Town of Strafford would need it in the future.

Mr. Harrington stated that the Cooperative School Planning Committee did review building permits within the Town of Strafford. He noted that in the month of October of 1999 twice as many building permits had been issued up until October of 1999 (51 new homes) that had been issued in the whole of 1998. Mr. Harrington stated that the committee also toured the Strafford School. He noted the importance of being realistic about the need for more school space, regardless of whether it is a cooperative school or a separate school for the Town of Strafford. He stated that it would take at least

a four-year period to have a new school built, further referencing the number of increased building permits within the Town of Strafford, He stated that Warrant Article #3 will give the Town another option to pursue other options, urging those present vote in favor of Warrant Article #3. Mr. Leighton further added that the money included within Warrant #3 was only for a deposit on the land. He added that the vote to raise the money to purchase the land would be done at another School District meeting or a Special School District Meeting.

Mr Martel referenced a meeting of the Land Search Committee, and noted the requirements for the posting of all meetings. He asked that courtesy be shown in following the laws. Mr. Martel spoke in favor of Warrant Article #3, suggesting that perhaps more than 50 or 100 acres be purchased. Discussion ensued regarding the statement made by Mr. Martel. Both Messrs. Vachon and Chairman Bruce Patrick spoke about the statement made by Mr. Martel about a specific meeting of the Land Search Committee. Chairman Patrick stated that at that time nothing was voted upon, no money was spent, and nothing secret went on. People were just discussing the options of building in Strafford or a cooperative school, and the future of the children of Strafford and what kind of building they should be in. He added that this meeting took place before a school board meeting, which, at many times, committees meet, because school board members are already there. Mr. Johnson asked Mr. Leighton for some substantiation regarding his statement to him at the meeting in question. Mr. Leighton told Mr. Johnson that he took his statement out of context.

Moderator Lord asked if there was any further discussion germane to the Article. There being none, Moderator Lord recognized Mrs. Sandra Schwab who moved the question. The motion was duly seconded. A call for the vote to limit debate was voted in the affirmative and was declared as such by Moderator Lord. Moderator Lord again read Warrant Article #3 and called for the vote on the motion. The vote on the motion was read was recorded as an affirmative vote.

Moderator Lord then moved on to **Article #4, noting that it was listed in the Warrant as Article #6. He read the following: "To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the school district capital reserve fund for the purpose of financing any and all capital improvements to school buildings as well as all or part of the cost of new construction for the school district in accord with the provisions of RSA Ch 35, with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance (surplus) available on July 1, 2000"** He noted that the School Board recommended this appropriation.

Discussion ensued with Mr. Irving Johnson questioning what the Capital Reserve Fund balance was. Chairman Patrick noted that \$111,866 was the balance. Mr. Harrington queried what the estimated budget surplus was for the end of the year. Chairman Patrick stated that figure was not available at this time, but stated that \$193,483 was turned back to the town to help reduce the amount to be raised by taxes. Chairman Patrick stated that the projected balance would be over \$100,000 He stated that it was hoped that an expanded paving area can be done at the school to facilitate more parking with hopes of making a turn-around, where parking can be done, with no interference with kindergarten drop off and pick up. Chairman Patrick emphasized that the reason that there is and continues to be a healthy budget surplus turned back to the Town each year is because the School Board watches and reviews every single voucher at every meeting, taking care of the taxpayers money so that there is money turned back at the end of the year to reduce taxes.

There being no further questions or comments concerning Warrant Article #4, Moderator Lord read the **Article again, and then called for a vote on the motion Warrant Article #4. as read, was declared passed by Moderator Lord.**

Moderator Lord then moved on to **Warrant Article #5, (listed as Article #7 on the hand out sheet) He read Warrant Article #5:**

**"To see what sum of money the school district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, for capital construction, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the school district."**

Moderator Lord asked a member of the School board to speak to this Article, to provide the body with a number and a motion. **Chairman Patrick then offered the following figure of \$6,107,911.33,**



and asked to make an amendment to Warrant Article #5. He then moved to amend Warrant Article #5 to include the language, "that this Article does not include the appropriations voted in other Warrant Articles." Mr. Leighton seconded by amendment. Moderator Lord noted that the floor was open to discussion regarding the amendment of Warrant Article #5, as read by Chairman Patrick. Moderator Lord noted that the amendment was to amend Article #5 to exclude from the Budget number of \$6,107,911.33, the \$52,000 that has been appropriated in previous Articles. **There being no discussion following the amendment, a call for the vote on the amendment was recorded as a vote in the affirmative and was declared as such by Moderator Lord.** Moderator Lord asked if there were any comments or questions on the budget. At this time, Mr. Leighton referenced an article written in *Foster's Daily Democrat*. "Strafford School District Awaiting Decision of Civil Suit against Builder". He noted that approximately one year ago, the Strafford School District entered into litigation with Whitcher Builders regarding the problems incurred in the north wall of the school. Mr. Leighton stated that was subsequent to having to correct the problem that existed from back when the building was built. He noted that the building correction was done and completed one year ago, adding that with all of the present testing, it has been a success, and it is believed that the problem has been resolved. Mr. Leighton noted that although the article was very good, it was incorrect, noting that the two modular units that are being procured will be part of the kindergarten package, although the 6th grade classrooms will be utilizing them, and has nothing what-so-ever to do with the civil litigation. He went on to say that the civil litigation is still in the courts, and has not been resolved. Mr. Leighton emphasized that the expenditure of \$160,000 has nothing what so ever to do with the wall.

Mr. Johnson spoke about the cost of two modular units that were utilized last year, that were concerned with the wall issue. Mr. Leighton stated that assuring the correction of the wall, two leased modular units were on site, not at a cost of \$160,00. Mr. Johnson queried how much the School Board thought the wall has cost the Town over this period of time. Mr. Leighton stated that the figure of \$135,000 was included in the lawsuit.

Mr. Leighton referenced a gray hand out sheet (Largest Increases in FY 2001 Budget). He reviewed this document in length, noting the operating budget for FY 2000-2001 was \$6,107,911.33 with a budget increase of \$528,651.53. He explained that the Board addressed the large upcoming 6th grade class, together with the issue of Kindergarten. As a result, the Board decided to procure 2 modular units, and move next years 6th grade class into the modular units (4 classrooms) located at the middle school end of the building. He noted that, by doing this it freed up the three front classrooms within the original old building to put kindergarten in. Mr. Leighton stated that, with the assistance of Superintendent Fensom and Principal Jenisch, they went to Concord, and, as a result of their meeting, the Town of Strafford would receive 75% aid on one of the modulars, 30% aid on the second modular unit and renovations to the three rooms out front. He noted that the Board discussed the leasing of or purchase of the modular units. With the information obtained regarding aid funding, the Board felt it was best that the modulars be purchased outright, with the knowledge that the units would have re-sale value when they were no longer needed. Mr. Leighton noted that the \$61,063.39 as noted in the gray hand out sheet was a one-time cost for this year. He added that the cost of kindergarten would drop next year. Mr. Leighton continued, noting that the Regular Education Teacher Salaries included an additional 6th grade teacher, to accommodate 4 six-grade classes. Mr. Leighton referenced tuition as listed in the gray hand out sheet. He noted that there was a 2.9 increase in tuition for Coe-Brown Academy over last year. A review of the Special Education Teachers and Aides was reviewed by Mr. Leighton, as well as Guidance, noting that there will be an increase of 2 days per week for an existing guidance position making it a full time position. Mr. Leighton explained that a certified nursing assistant has been added to the budget. He also reviewed the SAU budget, as well as transportation line item. Mr. Leighton explained that the Board just completed negotiating a new contract with Dail Transportation for a 5 year period, which represents an increase of 2% per year, plus the addition of one additional bus for an additional bus route. By adding the additional bus and route, it does give the Strafford School District the opportunity to provide morning and afternoon transportation for kindergarten. Mr. Martel queried if the cost of fuel increases, will the District have to provide Dail Transportaion additional monies. Mr. Leighton indicated that as the contract currently stands, it would be the the responsibility of the transportation provider. Mr. Leighton went on to explain the Curriculum development line item noting that this addresses summer curriculum development. He also noted the increase to the

consumable supplies line item due to the increased cost of paper and supplies as well as the increase in enrollment. Mr. Leighton noted that with regards to Classroom Texts/Workbooks, a new program in social studies would be implemented. He referenced the new part-time maintenance position within the budget, commenting that the building is not only used for school, it is utilized seven days per week, eighteen hours per day by the community. He commented on the fabulous job done by the Maintenance Department at the school. Mr. Leighton also reviewed the support staff salary increases.

Mr. Leighton also referenced the "Explanation of Kindergarten Costs in Budget vs. End Cost After All". He noted the funding costs for the 2 modular units, as well as the program cost for staff equipment, furniture, etc. Mr. Leighton explained the 75% kindergarten aid funding and 30% building aid funding, noting that the 75% will show up in revenues next year, and the 30% will be spread out over a five year period. Mr. Moe Chagnon queried the 75% aid received from the State. Mr. Jenisch explained that when he and Dr. Fensom met with individuals from the State, to their credit, they considered the unique situation of Strafford, since there were not a lot of options available. The State gave Strafford credit for the space that we would take up in the school for kindergarten, offset by the modular space. He noted that 75% funding was received for one modular unit, plus 75% for all set up cost. In addition to that, Mr. Jenisch explained that 75% will be received for all non-consumable items (furniture, renovations, as well as budgeting for a new piece of playground equipment specific to kindergarten). Mr. Jenisch emphasized that the modular units meet all state codes, all have air conditioning, and will be equal to or perhaps superior to any of the regular classrooms. He stated that modular units today are all maintenance free, for the most part, with vinyl siding, vinyl window, very user friendly, properly ventilated, etc. He added that all emergency facilities, intercom facilities and Internet facilities will also be available to the modular units.

Mr. Johnson commented that most people with young children have to work, and need day care. He stated that he would like to see some satellite units spread out in the town, which would cut down on the transportation costs, as children spend so much time riding on the school bus every day.

Mr. Martel rose and read Article #3 of the New Hampshire Constitution. He noted that the increase in the school budget over the last four years has been at least one million to one and a half million dollars. He noted that there is a substantial amount of growth in the area. He reminded those present of the promise that Governor Shaheen made with regards to a State budget deficit and the continuing increase in the budget deficit.

Mrs. Schwab queried what was the percentage of salary increase for teachers within the budget. Mr. Leighton noted that it equated to a 3.2%, but wasn't positive of that precise percentage figure.

Mrs. Donna Goodell stated that she supported the School Board in their effort to do what is best of the children in Strafford. She also noted the wonderful advantage of the State Kindergarten Building Aid the Board took regarding the kindergarten program, the purchase of the 2 modular units and the renovations of classrooms.

Moderator Lord asked if there were any questions or comments with regards to Warrant Article #5. There being none, Moderator Lord read Warrant Article #5 again. **A call for the vote on the motion was recorded as a vote in the affirmative and was declared as such by the Moderator.**

Moderator Lord then proceeded to Warrant Article #6, noting that it was numbered Article #8 on the hand out. He read the following:

**"To choose agents and committees in relations to any subject embraced in this warrant".** Moderator Lord declared that, there being none, Warrant Article #7 (formerly Warrant #9) would then be reviewed. He read Warrant Article 7 (formerly Warrant Article #9) as follows:

**"To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting"**

Mrs Sandra Schwab questioned if the teachers in the kindergarten program would be coming to



the Strafford School to teach. Mr. Jenisch explained that these positions will be treated like all the other positions at the school, whereby advertising will be done, with a series of interviews to select teachers

Moderator Lord asked if there was any other business to come before the meeting. There being none, Moderator Lord recognized a motion to adjourn. This motion was duly seconded and was so voted in the affirmative at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carrolle A. Popovich  
Strafford School District Clerk  
Approved 3-22-2000

## **2000 GRADUATES STRAFFORD SCHOOL**

Patricia Kathleen Abels  
Ferris T. Alkurabi  
Brandon Baker  
Courtney Meagan Bates-Emons  
Joseph E. Besk, Jr.  
B. Bickford  
Daniel Boggs  
Austin Rowe Bousley  
Michael Philip Bronnenberg  
Joshua Britt  
Ashley Marie Brouillard  
Alexander Burchell Brownell  
Michael John Clarke  
Bryndi L. Colwell  
Nicole I. Congram  
Amy Pauline Coulumbe  
John R. Coulumbe  
Lindsey Michelle Ewald  
Jessica Katherine Fabian  
Chase Patrick Franklin  
Matthew Howard Gahm  
Matthew J. Gale  
Jennifer Lynn Gordon  
James Robert Grant, II  
Brandon C. Hanson  
Stacey Marie Harris  
Jennifer Hart  
Rachel Holmes  
Samantha Jean Irving  
Tyrus James  
Michael J. Jubinville, Jr.  
Lindsay Marie Lavin  
Hannah K. Leavitt

Kate Allyson Leighton  
Nicholas R. Lemelin  
Kristine Jane Letourneau  
Bethany Rheanna Magoon  
Thomas Michael McDonald, Jr.  
Curtis A. Miner  
Mathew J. Moquin  
Elizabeth Anne Morris  
Kelsey Mountain  
Angela Lyn Nickless  
Ian William Lamphier O'Brien  
David P. Olson  
Leah Christine Pike  
Marilyn Gail Raiche  
Stacy Lyn Randazzo  
Bryan Schnoor  
Nicole Ashley Seymour  
Jacob Smith  
Micah Smith  
Richard David Tasker  
Alison R. Thomas  
Jenna Rose Thorne  
Elizabeth Thompson  
James E. Trotter  
David J. Unger  
John-Paul D. Vachon  
Joshua B. Vance  
Braden J. Verra  
Keith Andrew VonKahle  
Andrew Brien Wentworth  
CheyAnne Williams  
Tasha Elizabeth Wojtysiak

**BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2000**

<b>Date of Birth</b>	<b>Child's Name</b>	<b>Place of Birth</b>	<b>Father's Name</b>	<b>Mother's Name</b>
01/05/2000	Stephenie Sarah Lindh	Rochester	Darrell Lindh	Deborah Lindh
01/30/2000	Drew Robin Stevens	Rochester	James Stevens	Lynne Stevens
02/14/2000	Faith Ann Shiere	Rochester	Philip Shiere	Lori Shiere
03/17/2000	Sydney Catherine Hosue	Lebanon	Paul Hosue	Jennifer Hosue
03/23/2000	Abigail Mary Mathison	Portsmouth	Mark Mathison	Doreen Mathison
04/03/2000	Liam Seamus Grace	Dover	Patrick Grace	Katherine Grace
04/08/2000	Evan Riley Conway	Dover	Paul Conway	Diane Conway
05/04/2000	Ander Joseph Wensberg	Concord	Peter Wensberg	Elizabeth Wensberg
05/04/2000	Lindsay Marie Chase	Rochester	Michael Chase	Cynthia Chase
06/01/2000	Kaleb Douglas Newport Steffen	Dover	James Steffen	Karla Newport
07/03/2000	Alicia Mae Baratier	Rochester	Kyle Baratier	Dianne Baratier
07/06/2000	Grace Laurel Pontius	Portsmouth	John Pontius	Jennifer Pontius
08/21/2000	Clay Michael Collins	Concord	Vaughn Collins	Rebecca Collins
09/02/2000	Christopher Stephen Saunders	Rochester	Samuel Saunders	Lisa Saunders
09/09/2000	Olivia Alena Lee	Portsmouth	Kenneth Lee	Sandra Lee
09/18/2000	Erin Elizabeth McFarland	Rochester	Geoffrey McFarland	Michelle McFarland
10/16/2000	Caleb Gregory Terry	Dover	Gregory Terry	Carrie Terry
10/30/2000	Hannah Reta Marsh	Portsmouth	David Marsh	Terri Marsh
11/05/2000	Shayla Re Ashley	Portsmouth	Sean Ashley	Susan Ashley
11/06/2000	Isaac David Smith	Portsmouth	David Smith	Linda Smith
12/08/2000	Lydia Marie Pietrowski	Boston, MA	Keith Pietrowski	Cynthia Pietrowski
12/08/2000	Levi Haven White	Dover	William White	Donna White
12/12/2000	Tyler Mark Berube	Rochester	Peter Berube	Donna Berube



# **MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2000**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Groom</b>	<b>Residence</b>	<b>Name of Bride</b>	<b>Residence</b>
07/17/1999	Robert A. Powers, III	Strafford	Jennifer R. Olofsson	Strafford
07/24/1999	Darrell J. Lindh	Strafford	Deborah J. Emerson	Strafford
07/31/1999	Robert B. Long	Strafford	Cheryl A. Hurteau	Strafford
08/08/1999	Jon B. Hendrick	Strafford	Mary L. Curry	Strafford
08/14/1999	Albert N. Pratt	Strafford	Erika L. Barber	Strafford
08/14/1999	Kenneth J. Blair	Strafford	Christina L. Hersey	Strafford
08/21/1999	Michael A. Turner	Strafford	Wendy S. Sargent	Strafford
10/16/1999	Shane R. Baker	Strafford	Patricia A. Riley	Strafford
12/04/1999	Glen C. Rankin	Strafford	Elizabeth A. Radoczy	Strafford
12/11/1999	Matthew A. Hotchkiss	Strafford	Joy D. Currier	Strafford
01/01/2000	Jason L. Daudelin	Strafford	Lisa A. Hastings	Strafford
01/22/2000	David B. Speer	Dover	Marion M. Stone	Strafford
02/12/2000	Vaughn E. Collins	Strafford	Rebecca E. Hays	Strafford
03/04/2000	Timothy J. Ellis	Strafford	Vivian J. Grant	Portsmouth
04/06/2000	Robert G. Larson	Barrington	Deanna M. McLane	Strafford
05/13/2000	George H. Johnson, Jr.	Strafford	Carol A. Reynolds	Strafford
06/08/2000	Jason G. Mowry	Strafford	Darcy C. Kent	Springvale, ME
06/10/2000	William C. Hanson	Strafford	Maureen D. Rice	Strafford
06/25/2000	Justin T. Brown	Strafford	Theresa Marie Dolan	Rochester
06/30/2000	Joshua W. Myers	Lee	Candice M. Brown	Strafford
07/09/2000	Stephen A. Bulger	Strafford	Deborah E. Miner	Strafford
07/29/2000	Joseph G.H. Chalifour, III	Strafford	Robin K. Lord	Strafford
07/31/2000	Steven R. Loring	Strafford	Sylvia A. Dorr	Brentwood

## MARRIAGES CONTINUED:

Date	Name of Groom	Residence	Name of Bride	Residence
08/12/2000	Barry C. Sawicki	Strafford	Katherine A. Casey	Portland, ME
08/19/2000	Matthew P. Lahr	Strafford	Deborah A. Harrigan	Strafford
08/26/2000	David A. Pratt	Strafford	Kathleen P. O'Neill	Strafford
09/02/2000	Leon A. Ayvaz	Strafford	Janice M. Schott	Newton
09/03/2000	Jason C. Grant	Strafford	Elaine L. Appleton	Strafford
09/09/2000	William R. Price, II	Strafford	Jennifer N. Wilson	Strafford
09/17/2000	Jeffrey R. Baker	Strafford	Stacey L. Dewyngaert	Strafford
09/30/2000	Mark D. Gagnon	Strafford	Veronica T. McGrath	Strafford
10/07/2000	Dean F. Boggs	Strafford	Laurie A. Miles	Strafford
10/07/2000	Edward M. Bartlett	Strafford	Kimberly A. Tibbetts	Dover
10/14/2000	Robert Brown	Dover	Catherine M. Page	Strafford
10/15/2000	James A. Thomson	Strafford	Jennifer C. Campbell	Strafford
10/21/2000	Christopher J. Bashaw	Rochester	Susan L. Killingsworth	Strafford
10/21/2000	Jeffrey W. Fiske	Strafford	Catherina P. Webster	Strafford
11/25/2000	John Ray Johnson	Strafford	Heather Lynn Hotchkiss	Strafford

**DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD  
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<b>Date of Death</b>	<b>Name of Deceased</b>	<b>Place of Death</b>	<b>Name of Father</b>	<b>Maiden Name of Mother</b>
02/15/2000	Ruth B. Ambrose	Dover	Chester Brown	Ardena Scruton
04/14/2000	Alice E. Waterhouse	Strafford	Edward Therrien	Edith Armstrong
08/02/2000	Gladys R. Boudreau	Rochester	George Nesbitt	Georgina Cloak
09/03/2000	Ian A. Reed	Benton	Royal Reed	Donna Frye
10/15/2000	William F. Cantin	Concord	Roland Cantin	Catherine Latham
12/17/2000	Sumner B. Hayes	Dover	J. Hayes	Blanche Hall





